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WHAT WE THINK

A few thoughts on Iraq

With the war in Iraq being the 'big event' of the past month, much of the space in this issue is inevitably given up to that subject. We will not say any more in this column save for just a few passing thoughts.

One of the constant themes of politicians and the media has been the lack of 'democracy' in Iraq and the need to implant it there. Yet just a cursory examination of Arab/Middle Eastern/Muslim history and culture should tell us that democracy as we in the West understand it is totally alien to the traditions of the countries concerned and to their religious beliefs. None of them, save just one or two fundamentalist fanatics, tries to dictate to us westerners what political system we should have. We should not try to dictate political systems to their peoples.

Saddam, they tell us, was a despot and had to be removed for that reason. Yet what happened immediately the US and British forces took control of cities like Baghdad and Basra confirmed what Iraqis and other Middle Easterners had always known: that

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the nature of the region and its peoples is such that strong autocratic rulers always have been, and always will be, required. Once such strong authority was perceived to have disappeared, an orgy of looting broke out. The looters said for Saddam Hussein what he was not able to say for himself: that in that part of the world, without despotism there is anarchy.

Much has been made of the cheering and smiling Iraqis who were said to have 'welcomed' the US and British troops, and this has been taken up as a sign that the Iraqis were just waiting for 'liberation'. But a closer look at TV pictures will show that this welcoming party was always small in number wherever it appeared.

Besides, people with experience of the Middle East will know that the psychology of many of the populations there is such that conquerors will always get a welcome – precisely because they are conquerors. There is a strong survivalist instinct in such people to want to be seen as being on the winning side. It even exists in some Europeans too. Therefore these 'welcomes' are a very poor gauge as to what Iraqis really think about the invasion of their country.

The immigrant flood continues

Does the evidence of rising public anger have any effect on the politicians responsible for the tide of immigration into Britain? Not a bit of it, so it would appear. Two front-page headlines on the same day last month illustrated the point.

The *Daily Express* of April 22nd had a

header 'Asylum: 90% can stay in Britain'. The following story quoted the latest findings of Migrationwatch, which were that a mere one in ten of asylum-seekers landing in this country ever get sent back after their applications have been processed.



MORE ON THE WAY

This lot are breaking into a train leaving France for the UK. Our soft policy acts as a magnet to them.

Then *The Sun* featured in big letters 'Madness' on its front page, going on to say that Britain is by far the most popular country in Europe for would-be immigrants, and that one in four in fact end up here. This should be no surprise because word has got out among those seeking a better life in Europe that the UK is by far the softest touch of all the countries they might be thinking of going to.

And that's not all. The very influential Labour think-tank Demos has suggested that Britain hand over all control over asylum-seekers to a supra-national European body, which should *encourage*, rather than hinder, high levels of immigration. In other words, we should surrender once and for all the control of our own borders!

And another piece of insanity was very recently revealed. The Government has come up with a new scheme to encourage *legal* immigration by offering jobs to up to 20,000 unskilled immigrants in the food-processing and hospitality industries. Apparently, it has occurred to some genius in the Home Office that the more immigration is legitimised the less of a problem *illegal* immigration will become!

It sounds a great idea. What next? Well,

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how about legalising mugging? This would enable the Government to show lower crime figures and ease the strain on the police!

They create the problem; we pay for it

Chancellor Gordon Brown has pledged £330 million over the next three years to combat the terrorist threat to Britain. The Home Office has said that the money would be spent on improved security systems at ports and airports and on facilities for testing suspicious substances such as explosives. It would also fund improved 'resilience' against terror attacks, such as training for emergency services to deal with major incidents.

We suggest that there is a much, much cheaper way of coping with the threat of terrorism in this country. It is twofold: (1) Put an end to foreign policies vis-a-vis the Middle East which provoke terrorist acts against us; (2) Throw out of the country the peoples from whom the terrorists are recruited!

Debating the obvious

A major conference was held last month to debate the 'problem' of the failure of black pupils in the Croydon area to achieve better school results. It followed last year's GCSE figures which showed that 32 per cent of Afro-Caribbean youngsters who obtained five or more A* to C passes fell well short of the borough's overall rate of 48.3 per cent.

The conference took place at the Hilton Hotel in Croydon on April 12th, with the local Mayor and the Racial Equality Chairman Trevor Phillips in attendance. It was chaired by Diane Abbott, the black Labour MP for Hackney.

One of the organisers of the conference, one Nero Ughwujabo, said of the underachievement of young Blacks: "This is a very serious issue and we want to explore what can be done to tackle it."

The conference focused on numerous sociological factors which, in the submission of some of the delegates, explained the phenomenon. One was insufficient parental motivation, and there was a call for "fathers as learning mentors." The conference also discussed "building links with community and voluntary groups."

The precise cost of this event is not as of this moment known. But one thing that can be said is that, like similar events, it was a complete waste of time.

It was a waste of time because no one present would have dared to address the dominant truth that lies at the bottom of the whole affair. This is simply that – how shall we put it? – black people have different learning aptitudes from other ethnic groups,

just as the latter have different learning aptitudes from each other. These differences are mostly inherent, that is to say rooted in the genes. It is not 'anti-black' to acknowledge this; in fact, far more harm is done to Blacks by denying it and encouraging academic expectations on their part which cannot be fulfilled.

How many delegates at the Croydon conference would have been aware of this? We suspect far more than would appear the case. The trouble is that each and every one knew that it would have been the end of their job and their career had they stood up and said so.

Of course, a builder's foreman from any nearby site could have been called in and consulted on the matter at hand, and would have come up with a more intelligent answer to the problem than this assemblage of dignitaries – albeit that it might have been delivered in rather less than diplomatic language. This would have saved a lot of time and expense; but it would not, needless to say, have been appreciated.

Selection by coercion

In the meantime, the debate goes on concerning discrimination by universities against students from middle-class backgrounds. Last month Education Secretary Charles Clarke announced that the Government would be stepping up the pressure against those universities unwilling to fall in with its policies whereby youngsters from 'poor' families should be given especially favourable consideration for university places, even if they had inferior academic records.

Apparently, an 'admissions tsar' is to be appointed to oversee the preference scheme, and that person will be empowered to impose severe cuts in funding against the universities which fail to comply.

There are three observations that we might make on this appalling policy. The first is that it illustrates a bunch of politicians who for the past twenty years or more have been screaming against the evils of 'discrimination' now practising discrimination themselves – specifically against the bright and the talented and on antedeluvian grounds of class bias. But since when has hypocrisy been new on the left?

The second thing that stands out is that we clearly have a government which just is not interested in seeing British centres of higher learning achieve the best possible standards – despite its leader's constant sloganising about "Education, Education, Education."

Finally, there is obviously an unnamed factor in all this engineering which no one seems prepared to admit. The problem is not the shortage of 'working-class' students at

universities – because for a long time there has never been any bar to the brightest of those students getting there. The problem – dare we say? – is the shortage of black students at universities. This is an affront and an outrage to the high priests and priestesses of 'equality', and something has to be done about it – even if that means adopting *inequality* in selection procedures!

'Murdering' the IRA!

Huge public expense has been incurred by an investigation to determine whether British police and army officers colluded in the 1980s with loyalist paramilitaries to 'murder' certain Irish republicans known to have links with the IRA.

The investigation has been presided over by Metropolitan Commission Sir John Stevens and has run on for 13½ years, no less.

The findings of the investigation are that, although there was no evidence of such a 'murder' policy having the approval of any government, the policy did exist and was sanctioned at high levels of the RUC and Army. In effect, targets were passed on to the paramilitaries together with details of how the targeted people could best be located.

Charges are now expected soon against those found to be involved.

For our part, we cannot see what all the outrage is about. IRA operatives and their collaborators, guilty of taking part in acts of murder themselves, could hardly complain if they themselves became the targets of 'taking out' operations. To those who complain that everything should be done strictly within the law, we would reply that Britain is in a state of war with the IRA and in such situations the rules of war, not those of normal law, have to apply.

No tears for Concorde

At long last it's been decided: the Concorde supersonic airliner is to be put out of commission.

This project was, right from the beginning, doomed to be a white elephant. It was conceived not for sound commercial reasons but essentially as a political symbol of cross-national European co-operation. At the time it came out in the 1960s it should have been clear that the future lay with large airliners and cheap air travel. Had Britain invested in this field instead of in Concorde, we might still today have a viable industry in the way of wholly British-made intercontinental civil aircraft. However, internationalism was the ruling policy in government circles, then as now, and we threw away our position as an independent producer in this field. Now America dominates the field and we can only compete with projects like the Airbus – European but not British. Will we ever learn?

INQUEST ON IRAQ

THE WAR in Iraq is over, barring mopping-up operations. It is time for a stock-taking, an overview. We must put to the test in this war what we should put to the test in all wars in which our forces are engaged: what has Britain gained?

Britain has suffered 31 deaths in the war – tiny compared with World Wars I and II, small even compared with the Falklands War. But this is a matter over which numbers should not be the issue. The question is: what vital or legitimate national interest could have justified the loss of *any* British lives in Iraq? And the brutal truth is that the Iraq war was embarked upon and waged for no British interest at all but in pursuit of a wholly *political* agenda – the agenda of Tony Blair, the agenda of George W. Bush, but above all the agenda of the Israel lobby in Washington, among whose many puppets Blair and Bush are merely the most high-profile at the present moment.

ATTACK ON SOVEREIGN STATE

Let us for a moment concentrate our minds on a few of the essentials. What has happened is that Britain has been a party to a totally unwarranted attack on a sovereign state, a state that never harmed us and never even threatened us. No one seriously believes anymore the claim that Iraq possessed weapons of mass-destruction that might have been used against us. Everyone now knows that this claim was just a cynical lie, fabricated to justify military action. In healthier times, knowledge of such a lie – and the sacrifice of British lives in pursuit of it – would have become the subject of such national outrage that it would have brought down the Government. But in the political and moral climate of today it is dismissed as par for the course.

When that lie passed its sell-by date – when it had become obvious that if the ‘weapons of mass-destruction’ had existed they would have been used against us – another lie was concocted: we were invading Iraq to bring ‘democracy’ to that country, to give its people their ‘freedom’. Even if this were so, just who the hell do we think we are to decide what is good for another country, to determine what kind of political system or ruler its people will live under?

But of course, everyone now knows that this was not true – anymore than the tale about the

weapons was true. It was an equally cynical fabrication, cooked up to justify an utterly immoral war. That, aside from British and American

deaths, thousands of innocent Iraqis would perish and many more – including little children – would be maimed did not, of course, matter to our political masters so long as their nefarious political aims were achieved.

These are the political masters, of course, who love to occupy the ‘moral high ground’ and to per-

suade us that everything they do is done out of concern for the good of humanity – the ‘liberal’ conscience in all its putrid humbug!

HIDING BEHIND THE TROOPS

Once the war had started, politicians and their ‘bought’ press, very typically, tried to hide behind our troops in order to escape criticism. To attack the war, they claimed dishonestly, is to attack “our boys.” This was such a puerile argument it is difficult to imagine how anyone other than a mental retard could swallow it. British troops, like their American counterparts, were just doing what all military personnel have done across the ages. They were going to fight where they had been ordered to go to fight. The fact that they acquitted themselves professionally and honourably had nothing whatever to do with the question of whether they should have been there or not. And in fact those who condemned the war were people much more concerned about the fate of “our boys” than were the politicians who sent them to Iraq. Our view is that in the very regrettable, not to say tragic, case of British servicemen being required to lose their lives this should only ever be when Britain, her people or her vital interests are threatened. Indeed, those who made the most constant use of the term “our boys” could not give a damn about our boys; to them, they were just expendable pawns in a piece of squalid political piracy.

Where “our boys” (and a few girls) were concerned, Britain came out of the Iraq war with honour. But where politicians and journalists were concerned (those who supported the war at least) there is nothing but disgrace. The name of our country has been used in a foul act of aggression and mass murder which it will take a long time to expunge from the national memory.

So what was it all for?

The things they're saying

As George Bush's poodle, Tony Blair is perfectly capable of having his own pups. But yesterday he went to Camp David to buy another one.

Our Prime Minister had the humiliation of being slapped down by the Americans, who clearly plan to run Iraq as the 51st state of the USA.

He claimed he would win Washington's support for a United Nations mandate to rule in Baghdad when his dirty war is over.

He did no such thing. It was deeply embarrassing for Brits to see our PM openly snubbed by Ten Gallon Hat at their joint press conference...

Is this what we really want for our country? I cannot believe most Britons have anything but contempt for the chimp in the White House.

PAUL ROUTLEDGE
Daily Mirror (28.3.03)

America and Britain may believe their war symbolises liberation from Saddam, but for many Iraqis the allied forces are invaders desecrating their country's honour and dignity. This is an unforgivable sin in Iraq's culture. Land and territory are as sacred as the honour of women, and occupation is as vile, shameful and abominable as rape.

HALA JABER
The Sunday Times (30.3.03)

That supremely talented comedian John Cleese will be remembered for many extraordinarily funny jokes, especially his famous running gag in Fawlty Towers, "Don't mention the war."

"Don't mention Israel" could be the watchword of the media in current circumstances. The 'Middle East' is now confusingly used to define Israel and the Occupied Territories, while Saddam Hussein is said to threaten "other countries in the area" – the only possible threatened country being Israel. Above all, it is stressed, the war against Iraq has nothing whatever to do with Israel.

The British public is well aware of the humbug involved, judging from the way it responds with shouts and jeers whenever the subject crops up on such programmes as *Question Time*.

RICHARD INGRAMS
The Observer (23.3.03)

Actually, it is the bleeding-heart liberals, with their daft belief that you can create freedom and justice with TNT, who have got us into this mess.

Half the world is wet with their tears and cratered by their bombs. Bosnia, Kosovo, Sierra Leone, Afghanistan have had the liberal treatment. They never go back to look and see what they've done. This is wise,

EXTRACTS FROM THE MAINSTREAM MEDIA

because they almost always replace an old mess with a new mess.

Right-wing monsters like me would never have imagined that our aims were so pure. We wouldn't have dared to send our fellow-citizens to death in the desert. We would never have imagined that a few dead or maimed children didn't matter.

PETER HITCHENS
The Mail on Sunday (30.3.03)

There is no doubt that 'we' will eventually defeat Saddam, and I am equally convinced that weapons of mass-destruction will be found, because even if Saddam has none at the moment the CIA will ensure he has them in abundance at the end of the war. But after the Americans have slaughtered their way through Baghdad and claimed their hard-won victory, the real war for the innocents of Britain, Europe and the US will begin.

The Arab peoples have been betrayed and humiliated once too often, and facing the Christian high ground of Blair and Bush will be the jihad of Islamic fundamentalism. I fear that we will all live to regret the day that George W. Bush was 'elected' President of the US and Tony Blair pleaded his 'sincere' beliefs before the people of this country.

ALAN R. NEWTON
Letter in The Independent (31.3.03)

So why did the Conservative Party support this left-wing war? It has missed a wonderful opportunity to be true to its principles, to be right, and to re-engage with the people of this country. Those who have dismissed it for years as a callous pressure group motivated by nothing but money might have been forced to reconsider their view. But the Tories have so utterly lost the power of thought that they have become what their cruellest opponents pretend they are. Not since they endorsed the unhinged privatisation of the railways have the Conservatives acted so contrary to their own wisdom, and so exactly as if they were the brainless destroyers that alternative comedians imagine them to be.

PETER HITCHENS
The Spectator (29.3.03)

"We shall meet victory in Iraq," Tony Blair proclaimed solemnly, "not in any spirit of elation, still less of triumphalism, but with a fixed and steady resolve that the cause is just, the victory right."

There certainly seems to be a lack of elation and triumphalism among most people in Britain: no cheering, flag-waving crowds in the streets, no frantic victory celebrations. No church bells are rung. There may be cheering in Washington and Tel

Aviv, but not here. Even the modest elation that followed our victory in the Falklands is absent.

Is this because the war in Iraq had nothing to do with British interests?

PETER SIMPLE
The Daily Telegraph (18.4.03)

If I sound angry, I am. Very angry. When I was young I was pro-war. No longer. I read that ministers of Tony Baloney are concerned about his health. Poor dear, he's weary and doesn't look so hot. He's struggling to shake off a cold. My heart bleeds. This lunch-bucket pilferer, with only a nodding acquaintance with the truth, is suddenly turning into a hero because of his lonely stand "for what he believes in." Some stand. Some hero. Having done away with crime in British cities, having fixed the health service and the transport system, having lowered taxes and made education the best in Europe, he now has time to concentrate on creating an Iraqi utopia. What utter crap. This guy had no other way to go. He was elected to fix Britain and, having utterly failed to do so, he has now decided to fix Iraq.

TAKI
The Spectator (29.3.03)

How the hatred of the foreign invader remains underrated has been shown by the curious level of indignation and genuine surprise about the Iraqis' failure to observe the finer points of the Geneva Convention.

Americans are angry that pictures of US servicemen are exploited on Arab TV. In Britain there is fury about pictures of the corpses of two of our soldiers.

Yet the US authorities were happy a year ago to show pictures of chained Al-Qaida suspects at Guantanamo Bay.

In our own case, we should not be shocked at pictures of our dead servicemen being displayed.

We have invaded a country never renowned for its gentility. It uses corpses for propaganda purposes. What did we expect?

ANDREW ALEXANDER
Daily Mail (28.3.03)

This war is crass and short-sighted. Once the Americans and British are in place the Iraqis will probably 'welcome' them – people in occupied places have to do a deal with those who have invaded and defeated them. But we have already seen enough on television... to know that we in the West are now hated by many Arabs.

CAROLINE GOURLAY
Letter in The Sunday Times (13.4.03)

WHILE Hans Blix was still inspecting, and the permanent members of the UN Security Council still wrangling, as many as three out of four Britons were firmly against war in Iraq, although most of them sensed that war was inevitable: inevitable, not because of the intransigence of Saddam Hussein but because the Bush régime had already made up its mind to invade Iraq, with or without United Nations sanction. And, in that vast majority of us who opposed any conflict, there were even a few misguided individuals who actually believed that Washington's little lap-dog might somehow get off the hook and leave George to go it alone.

The firing starts

But when it became clear that our forces were to be involved there was a remarkable shift in opinion. According to some polls, as many as four fifths of our folk said that they supported the coalition offensive against Iraq. As someone who had vehemently opposed the illegal attack explained to me, "Well, they're there now and we have to support them." While this was commendable, it was also illogical. Blair had sent our soldiers, sailors, and airmen miles from their homeland to become parties to atrocities and war crimes in defiance both of reason and of international law. It seemed to me that we should comfort our wounded and, as becomes us, mourn our British dead, yet still remain detached from the unjust, bloody and unnecessary conflict.

Even the mealy-mouthed assertion that a quick victory with only a few killed would be the best option seemed less than appealing. We should not want to see naked aggression successful in Iraq or anywhere else. Nor would we have wished to see our brave men and women slaughtered by people who have no choice but to defend their native land by whatever means they could.

Taking stock and taking sides

One of the grave disadvantages of being British is that we naturally support the underdog. And here we have a classic case of international bullying: little Iraq, a nation of just 22 million souls; a brave army but one primitively equipped by modern standards; a poor people already distressed by savage sanctions, these inoffensive folk scandalously attacked, bombed and battered by all the firepower the Pentagon can lay its hands on, plus a voluntary contribution from the madmen in Westminster. Underdogs do not come much more 'under' than that. Even so, maybe we should look at the progress and some of the events in this 'war' before reaching a serious and definitive conclusion.

Lions fighting for donkeys

Longer than they thought

Both Houses of Congress and both Houses of Parliament were lied to, as the Labour Party now knows to its cost. Saddam would not last a week. Joyful Iraqis would strew flowers in the path of coalition

... the Rules of Engagement

This concept took us back over a thousand years, and we imagined our great Saxon King Alfred addressing his forces: "Look chaps, I know these bloody Danes are rampaging throughout East Anglia. We

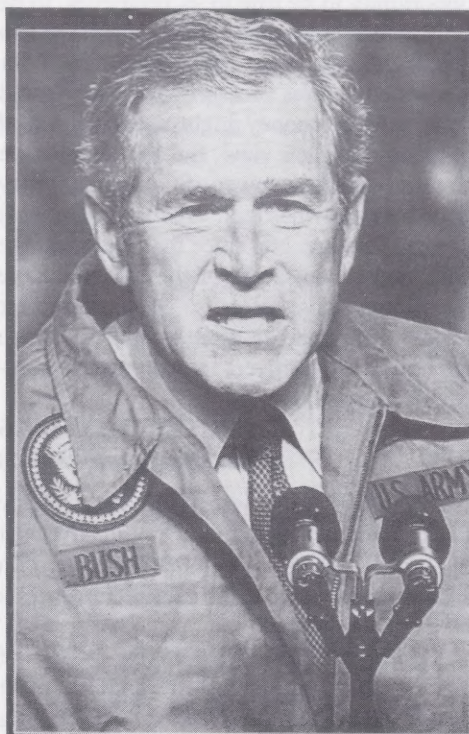
The war in Iraq: COLIN VERNON looks at the dilemma confronting nationalists

soldiers, and treacherous puppets, schooled for the job in Washington, would install their own version of western democracy in no time at all. Predictably, it did not happen; but something else, extremely interesting, did. The chief war aim, the decommissioning of weapons of mass destruction was abandoned, and the unprovoked attack was designated 'Operation Iraqi Freedom'. Moreover, finding that the president's 'henchmen' were loyal to their leader, he lost the distinction of being the only villain of the piece, and journalists were required to refer to a war against the 'régime'. That régime, of course, was required to respect...

know that they were not asked to come but that doesn't mean that we can ignore the rules. I don't want to see any dirty tricks played on our enemies, such as farmers suddenly producing spears, and our commanders flagrantly displaying the severed heads of our foes in public places." Nonsensical of course, but very much what the coalition expected of Iraq. Having launched a violent and wholly unprovoked assault on this relatively small nation, Mr. Donald Rumsfeld became irked when they failed to abide by the so-called Geneva Convention. Yet surely, when your land and folk are threatened, all that matters is *survival*; and to hell with whatever rules the enemy would like you to observe. And, in any case, why should we expect these people to conform to *our* rule book? The Iraqis, as a Syro-Arabian nation, have manners, morals and mental makeups quite different from those of Western Europeans. Unfortunately, neither the gangsters in the Pentagon nor the wretched occupant of 10 Downing Street have the slightest understanding of different and inherent racial characteristics. Their attitude is simply: "Accept our One-World Order, or else!" Recently the Iraqi people have been on the receiving end of the "or else!"

The Battle for Hearts and minds

In most movies we soon get to know who is the villain. In real life it is more difficult. On the one hand, we have seen the Washington propagandists, Bush's henchmen, such as Ari Fleischer, and the coalition military commanders safely tucked away, and miles from the battlefield, giving press conferences. Contrast this with a city where missiles have been raining down all night and day, and the appearance, almost from



BUSH
Long ago had his mind set on war

the rubble, of seemingly indefatigable middle-aged men in black berets, wholly unflustered and ready to cope with all the questions flung at them, in both Arabic and English, some with a better command of the latter language than the US President himself. Generally composed and factual in their comments, they occasionally stooped to the level of the aggressor. At one morning conference, I believe it was the defence minister who observed that Rumsfeld was not merely a bastard but a lying bastard to boot. Of course they made the most of the atrocities committed against their folk during the previous 24 hours but – and this was always impressive – one gained the feeling that nothing but a bullet, a bomb or a bayonet would silence their belief in ultimate victory over the invader.

Gaffes galore

Even before hostilities commenced, the cynics amongst us were guessing as to how soon the US forces would be shooting up their own people or ours. It did not take long to happen. First it was a British Tornado aircraft returning from a mission, and then a clearly marked British tank and its crew strafed from the air. In neither case was there the slightest excuse for the blunder. Clearly, having the technology is one thing, and having personnel with the brains to use it is another. And, even as we write, there has been another fiasco costly to human life, this time a bombing attack on

Q. What's the difference between an Iraqi and a Yank?

A. An Iraqi kills fewer Brits.

Joke going the rounds among British forces in Iraq, as reported in *The Sunday Telegraph* (13.4.03)

Kurds and Americans. The desert is, we suppose, so thickly populated that picking out friends from foes presents a real problem!

So far, I have not said much about the little lap-dog. His big moment came when, with Bush at Camp David, he announced that British prisoners had been executed by the Iraqis. Understandably this caused immense distress to the relatives of these soldiers, who subsequently, and thankfully, learnt that, as usual, our Tone was lying through his teeth. There was not an atom of truth in his wicked accusation. Meanwhile Donald (that is Mr. Rumsfeld again) was getting very cross with the Syrians. They had, it seems, supplied the Iraqis with those most deadly weapons of mass destruction, night-vision goggles. The fact that Bush allows this congenital idiot to remain on stage has to say something about the fundamental weakness of his administration.



This terrified little girl is shown with a mother and another child in the middle of the battlefield just outside Basra. Bush and Blair claim this was a 'humanitarian' war.

Terrorists get the green light

Literally hours before hostilities began, Bush offered the world, and the Arab world in particular, the prospect of a new 'road map' which would lead to the eventual setting up of an independent Palestinian state. It is instructive for us to realise that this arrogant and ignorant little man actually believes, or pretends to believe, that the United States can and will solve all problems everywhere in the world. In fact, Bush is perfectly well aware that Israel will calmly veto all the bits of the 'road map' that are not to its taste. If he thought he was successfully bribing the Arab nations then he was wasting his time.

"When it is over... this war will have horrible consequences," said President Mubarak of Egypt. "Instead of having one bin Laden we will have hundreds." Thousands would perhaps be nearer the mark. If popular Arab feeling moved Arab governments, then the coalition would be fighting on several fronts. As it is, every day would-be martyrs stream across the Iraqi borders, some volunteering as suicide bombers, others just happy to pick up a gun and have a go at the infidel. Washington, as already said, has no proper concept of the Arab

mentality. Maybe Saddam was once less than popular amongst his neighbours. Today, to the ordinary folk in those countries, it is he and his Republican Guard who are the martyrs of the Arab world. This has been George W. Bush's singular achievement.

No happy ending

At the time of writing, it seems to me that sheer firepower has brought the Zionist lackey his hollow victory; that after a poor nation's infrastructure has been ripped apart, and thousands of civilians killed or maimed, the carnage will be followed by the arrival of *food parcels*. Meanwhile, the computer games industry is not missing a trick. Young Americans are already playing *Command and Conquer*, in which players are rewarded for destroying Iraqi mosques with stealth bombers. For my own part, I would like to take 'Field Marshal' Blair to a Baghdad market place, to a side street where a little girl five years old, innocent, pretty, young face downwards, lies dead in the gutter next to her dad, whose head has been blown off. And if I am told that my patriotism requires me to endorse such crimes, then I would as soon be labelled 'traitor'.

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The world within a war

ONE good side effect of the Bush-Blair war with Iraq is that what one wit termed "the elephant in the living room" has become the subject of open and frank discussion, even amongst ordinary leftists and anti-war activists. In case you didn't get the reference, the 'elephant' is Zionist (or organised Jewish) power, which has been with us to a greater or lesser degree over the years, but always studiously ignored by most, even though it has long been the proverbial "elephant in the living room."

For instance, *The Economist* now says that:-

"... people from the left and right are beginning to allege in public what some moderates whisper privately: that war against Iraq has been promoted by a cabal of Jewish hard-liners who are more concerned with protecting Israel than they are with advancing America's national interest."

Sadly enough, the parents of the British troops killed in this proxy (or should that be poxy?) war for Israel will as likely as not never read *The Economist*.

Similarly, Michael Lind wrote in the April *New Statesman* that:-

"Most neo-conservative defence intellectuals have their roots on the left, not the right. They are products of the largely Jewish-American Trotskyist movement of the 1930s and 1940s, which morphed into anti-communist liberalism between the 1950s and 1970s and finally into a kind of militaristic and imperial right with no precedents in American culture or political history... [their ideology] is really Trotsky's theory of the permanent revolution mingled with the far-right Likud strain of Zionism."

RAMPAGING OUT OF CONTROL

There you have it – the 'elephant' is rampaging out of control, sowing conflict and hatred across the globe. It is deadly dangerous. And as we – and now others – contend, if it's not stopped it will lay waste to our country and civilisation. The famous military strategist General Fuller once spoke of the drive to: "... power to avenge their wrongs, and power to gain world domination under an avenging messiah, as foretold by Talmud and Kaballah."

Naturally, this should not be construed as a call to indiscriminate 'anti-Semitism'. Lunatic Christian fundamentalists are also conspicuously allied in the US Government with the group the establishment media euphemistically term the 'neo-conservative hawks'. Neither should we forget that courageous Jewish activists like Israel Shamir have provided some of the most devastating exposés of Zionism on record. ^a

Nor that Mike Halper, also Jewish, made a moving tribute to the murdered US college student Rachel Corrie, while the Nordic chinless wonders in the upper echelons of BBC news 'killed' the story. And they did it just as ruthlessly and efficiently as the Orwellian-sounding IDF (Israeli Defence Forces) with the actual Rachel.

For those unfortunates who rely on the BBC or ITV for information, 23-year-old Rachel Corrie was deliberately

crushed to death on 16 March by an armoured Caterpillar bulldozer while she was trying to stop the demolition of homes in Rafah, Gaza. The driver even reversed back over her prostrate body to make sure he'd done the job properly (source: the Israeli paper *Haaretz*). Additionally, as a result of Bush's latest tribute of \$11 billion to Israel, her parents will have to contribute

around \$125 in taxes to keep her killers in the tanks, helicopters (and bulldozers) they have become accustomed to having. As we might expect, not one comment was made about this dastardly deed by Bush or Blair, who are ever ready to whine on about some Iraqi atrocity, imaginary or real.

THINGS FALLING APART AT HOME

While 'our' government has been perfectly happy to shell and burn Baghdad and Basra on behalf of Ariel Sharon, crime and social decay continue in their remorseless increase at home. In Leamington Spa, once the absolute acme of respectability, two men are found dead from contaminated heroin. About as many crimes were recorded in London this January and February as occurred in a whole year during the late Seventies.

Even government paymaster – and Tony's tennis partner – Lord Levy is not immune, since in early April burglars handcuffed the noble Lord, hit him over the head with a shovel and made off with his safe. Wherever is your mate Ariel with those Apache attack helicopters when you really need him! Apparently the burglars had no idea they were making a sacrilegious assault on a little tin god of New Labour but thought they were robbing just any rich guy.

Our own government – maybe taking a leaf out of the criminals' book – now extracts money from its citizens in sleazy, underhand ways such as with roadside speed cameras. As presently utilised, such technological contraptions do nothing for safety, rather the reverse. But every little last pound helps, I suppose, in making sure that this country can still act as the Lady Bountiful for the Zionist bomb lobby.

As the man more or less responsible for maintaining this state of affairs, Gordon Brown resembles nothing so much as the pissed-off



RACHEL CORRIE

A peaceworker, she was crushed to death by an Israeli bulldozer

croupier at a crooked casino, resigned to carrying out whatever dubious practices are ordered by his bosses. If truth be known, Britain was more or less bankrupt at the end of World War I.

The toxic hypocrisy of the media has increased to new levels of distortion and idiocy. Most of the war coverage from the once-renowned BBC seems aimed at the level of a morally and mentally arrested 12-year-old, with video game-style simulated explosions as the laser-guided missile takes out the Iraqi barracks.

We are endlessly instructed that the Iraqi régime "kills its own people." They have the cheek to inform us that religious and political dissenters there under Saddam may have faced violent death. Oh yes? And what about Waco and Ruby Ridge? As demonstrated by those two murderous attacks – and some other lesser known ones – the US Government also slaughters its own people!

Now, as I explained in an earlier issue of this magazine, it is at least possible that Saddam *didn't* gas Kurds at all. A headline such as "Sharon gasses Palestinians" would be more accurate, since around a dozen Palestinians have perished due to the Israeli Army habit of lobbing tear gas (accidentally on purpose) into enclosed places such as their victims' homes.

THE REAL REASON FOR THE WAR

In the meantime, to understand fully the magnitude of Blair's mistake (some might prefer the word treason) in hitching our country to the 'neo-con hawk' chariot, consider the following quote from the *Los Angeles Times* of April 7th 2002:-

"There, Louisiana State University Professor David Perlmutter wrote that: 'Israel has been building nuclear weapons for 30 years. The Jews understand what passive and powerless acceptance of doom has meant for them in the past, and they have ensured against it. Masada was not an example to follow – it hurt the Romans not a whit, but Samson in Gaza? With an H-bomb? What would serve the Jew-hating world better in repayment for thousands of years of massacres but a Nuclear Winter? Or invite all those tut-tutting European statesmen and peace activists to join us in the ovens?'"

Incidentally, Perlmutter has kept his academic post in spite of some complaints. Just compare that with what happens to any British academic who dares to make the mildest criticism of politically correct dogma!

And what about the outspoken comments of Ariel Natan Pasko in *Israeli National News* :-

"Of course this war against Iraq and Saddam Hussein is for us. Even the anti-Semites, like Patrick J. Buchanan and Congressman Jim Moran know it. Pat Buchanan has been accusing the neo-conservatives, what he calls the War Party – i.e. the Jews and their followers in America – of pushing the United States into this war. He's also blamed Prime Minister Sharon and Israel for wanting the war. That's what he said in a recent article, 'Whose War?' Rep. Moran recently came out of the closet saying: 'If it were not for the strong support of the Jewish community for this war with Iraq, we would not be doing this.' ... They're both right."

In words which I'm sure would be of great interest to the bereaved families of our soldiers killed in Iraq, Ariel Pasko continues:-

"However, we already knew that this war is for us – i.e. the Jews and Israel. *Chazal* – our sages – throughout the



THE MORONIC 'BRITISH' PRESS

This page is from *The Sun* (April 11th). The piece at the bottom encourages readers to open fire on 'enemies' and 'traitors'. President Chirac is placed in 'bullseye' position because he has the temerity to put French interests first.

ages have explained the Torah, telling us that everything that happens in the world is for the benefit of the Jewish People.

"Simply put another way, if all the world is a stage, then the Jews – and especially those in the Land of Israel – are the lead actors on the stage of history, and the *goyim* – the nations, i.e. the gentiles – have supporting roles, while the evil-doers are props and background scenery."

I suppose that Pasko's article would best come under the headline *chutzpah*. It's also worth pointing out that he is in the mainstream of Likud party thinking which now dominates Israel – and Washington.

Now all of the populist 'safety-valve' columnists like Littlejohn and Heffer are mightily annoyed that the French have dared to act out of 'self-interest'. But I'd like to point out the obvious to these gentlemen, namely that all nations should only act out of self-interest.

If, like Britain, they were deluded enough in the interests of Greater Israel, then the consequences would be likely to be unpredictable and dangerous. For certain highly placed leaders in Israel – with their comrades and surrogates in the US – are indeed pressing on for their Armageddon of global conflict. If I were a betting man, for instance, I would not place too high odds on the survival of the Church of the Nativity and the Dome of the Rock.

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<http://www.israelnationalnews.com/article.php3?id=2125>

THIS JOURNAL has consistently opposed Britain's war on Iraq because we believe that Britain should decide on its own defence and war-fighting priorities, not tag along on Uncle Sam's coat-tails. But now that the war has come and (almost) gone we, as Britons, must ask whether we will ultimately benefit from its aftermath or not.

Should the Right oppose America's war on Iraq because the US is a neo-colonialist, occupying or imperialist power? Here we should beware of knee-jerk labels used entirely by the Left.

Colonisation and imperialism mean that foreign nationals enter your country, get into positions of enormous cultural and political power, and impose alien ideologies upon you without your consent. The only peoples that have suffered this fate in modern times on a massive scale are white, western peoples, who themselves are reduced to being only 10 per cent of the world's population.

Coloured people have colonised America and Europe in a way that would be totally unacceptable to 'orthodox' opinion if we Whites were to do the same to Third World countries. Non-European people have now obtained enormous influence in the media, politics, and academe, and have imposed the ideology of multi-culturalism on us whether we like it or not. Every non-white person you see in the street or on television tells you one thing: "You are now living in a multi-cultural society because we have made it so, and there is sod-all you can do about it." The war on Iraq on BBC TV news is presented by George Alagiah (a man with a name which sounds African but who in fact is Sri-Lankan) who dialogues with Ragih Owah, who sounds like an Iraqi himself but looks like a black man, while another black man, John Pienaar, deigns to pontificate on the political implications of it all. The important point is that none of them is actually British. The Iraqis, allegedly living under a brutal dictatorship, at least had the privilege of being broadcast to by genuine indigenous Arabs!

NOT NATIONS

This brings me to Iraq, the Middle East, and coloured people across the whole of the Third World. There is one thing that differentiates them from us Europeans: very few of them live in proper ethnic nations; they dwell in entirely arbitrary territorial states. Different religious and language groups were thrown together through accidents of history and have no common cultural denominator. Therefore there is no 'Iraqi people', any more than there is a 'Zimbabwean', 'Pakistani' or 'Peruvian'

people.

The Americans will have one hell of a job trying to 'rebuild' Iraq when the fighting is finally over because the region consists of Arabs, Turkomans, Kurds and other minorities. Most of them speak Arabic, but then again so does the

the next country on the 'axis-of-evil' short list then he might well do it.

By shaking up the world order and undermining international treaties, perhaps Bush and his gang will inadvertently bust up or weaken permanently the liberal institutions which have done

enormous social harm to the West. 'Multi-culturalism' is destroying the West in a way that no other world ideology or religion has ever done –

because it involves the transfer of populations across international borders; and the transfer is all one way: westwards. It is the closest thing you can get to political criminality.

Hence we in Britain are suffering from the 'liberal internationalism', not so much of America but of the United Nations, the EU and the all-powerful home-grown liberal lawyers and politicians – the *New Élites* that control commerce, media and public opinion and who owe allegiance not to the people they govern but to each other – so that they ensure they remain in power.

RE-ORDERING THE WORLD

If America is part of the New World Order, then Bush, whether intending to or not, is about to re-order it. He has by-passed its main institution, the UN, and its Security Council, with its bunch of hypocritical human-rights abusers like Syria, China, Pakistan, and Angola.

History is buffeted by abrupt changes in direction, and powerful

NEW WORLD RACE DISORDER?

rest of the Middle East. You could take an Iraqi out of Iraq and put him in Egypt and no one would be any the wiser. One

ANTONY MILNE gives a personal view of some of the possible ramifications of the Middle East conflict

reason why Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait in 1990 was because he said that after World War I Kuwait was originally allocated to 'Iraq', which itself before the war was 'Mesopotamia'. There is a certain logic to that.

This brings me to America's and Britain's war on 'Iraq'. President George W. Bush is on a roll: he is not only



ANTI-WESTERN HATRED

This is an anti-war demonstration in Teheran. Bush's policy is making for ever greater polarisation between Arab/Islamic and white peoples.

roaring his mighty military motor into the festering fly-blown Middle East, with the British tagging along in the jet-stream, he has thrown away the steering wheel! If it means, after Iraq, sorting out

leaders are thrown up who have an inordinate influence on world affairs. Bush is one of those unusual men who are about to do just that. He talks in gunslinger language and has no time for

verbal niceties. One consequence of the flood of Civil Rights and permissive open-door legislation forced on America by the Democrats in the 1960s – and which the Republicans did nothing to reverse – has been to allow Islamic suicide bombers to check in at US hotels, take flying lessons, and assault with impunity the economic and military symbols of the most powerful country in the world.

AMERICA SEEKING REVENGE

The American military, as well as the intelligence services, now seek revenge on that part of the world that has humiliated it: the Middle East. After September 11, the Americans have lost their innocence and have become brutal in a brutal world. Iraq is a handy target because the Americans have been strafing and blitzing it for the last 12 years, so they might as well finish the job once and for all and get the 'régime-change' they have wanted all along.

The present Republican administration is unlike any of its predecessors. George Bush's cohorts like Paul Wolfowitz, Dick Cheney and Richard Perle were hawks before they reached the White House, and were planning to boost American military power greatly in the 1990s. None of the Bush crew are liberals in the European sense. "My job is to protect America, and that is exactly what I'm going to do," says Bush, and he has been saying that over and over for the past 18 months so that the other countries get the message.

Bush has set up the Homeland Security Department that is already tightening up its lax immigration and visa régime. He has a long way to go, since there remain powerful liberal bureaucrats who will do their best to stymie any restrictive laws, but he has changed America's liberal direction in a way that will be difficult to reverse in the long run, since the Democrats are going to have to go along with it.

Bush couldn't care less about Europe or NATO, and won't brook any restraints on US power as have happened in the past. From Bush's point of view America has suffered too long from the humiliation of Vietnam, and US troops have actually been thrown out of tinpot countries like Haiti, Lebanon and Somalia when they thought they were acting for humanitarian, not imperialistic, reasons.

Some on the Right believe that the present liberal world order cannot be broken without a violent disruption to the *status-quo* – and it doesn't matter how it happens or who does it. If the old order is rocked to its foundations, social violence may take place on a wider scale than at present. This is to be deplored of course; but if it happens it will be a bit



THE ALIEN PRESENCE

Europe now has a huge population of Arab and Asian immigrants and their descendants. Their relations with the host communities, already hostile, will only get worse with the anger among them blazing as a result of America's and Britain's Iraq adventure. This scene from a town in the North of England perfectly encapsulates the situation.

like chickens coming home to roost.

The war in Iraq will turn the ratchet up a bit further: it will screw up the Middle East Moslems who have taken it upon themselves to colonise European cities. Demographically, Europe is now a province of Islam, hosting some 16 million Moslem immigrants, very few of whom have any affinity with Europe's peoples or its traditions. They are already blazing with anger at America – which they consider to be run by fundamentalist Christians and Jews – and are ready at the drop of a hat to go on the rampage.

LIKELY BACKLASH

If Europe is flooded with yet more Arab refugees in the aftermath of the war – and they will use every excuse to get to Europe – then at the very least the ensuing cultural chaos and lawlessness in a Europe already overflowing with illegal foreigners could result in an almighty backlash. Europe will become a Third World charnel house, and gun crime and Moslem terrorism is bound to increase.

When the bombs start going off and the pinko liberal police forces – whose members occasionally get stabbed to death by asylum seekers – can no longer cope, then indigenous European peoples will get very angry indeed.

In the meantime the recent turmoil in the EU, NATO and the UN – all anti-nationalist institutions – means that those institutions will all lose credibility. The

current crisis among European governments is because Bush is preparing to break up the UN veto system. The US intends to retaliate against those countries that have opposed it on the Iraq issue – France, Germany, Belgium and Turkey.

Most intellectuals in the 'New Europe' that Defence Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld referred to are nationalists who have campaigned for their own separate nations or enclaves within Europe. The 'Old Europe' that America has collided with is the bankrupt ideological world of enforced multi-culturalism and the liberal authoritarianism of Chirac, Blair, Schröder and their Scandinavian hangers-on. The EU has become a softer version of communism, complete with the politicisation of police and local authorities. Many of those in Eastern European countries like Poland are beginning to resent the Warsaw Pact Mark II which they have just entered, with its rigged markets, and its thousands of onerous rules and anti-race laws.

Change is in the air. Let us hope that some good will come out of Bush's brand of 'self-defence' imperialism.

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THE REAL REASONS WHY WE'RE WINNING

AT about the time that this issue reaches our readers, we will know the results of the local government elections in which more than 200 British National Party candidates will be contesting seats. Naturally, all of us will be hoping that the BNP retains its five councillors and gets many more elected besides.

But should this happy outcome occur, it will be vital that party supporters understand *why* and *how* it has occurred and that they resist attempts to bamboozle them into accepting false explanations. If there is to be clarity on this point, we must first seek clarity over the causes of our successes so far.

Those successes have not, as some will claim, been the consequences of a 'softening up' of BNP policies on key issues such as race, immigration and repatriation; least of all have they had anything to do with the various public relations 'gimmicks' the party has employed, such as the setting up of the its 'Ethnic Liaison Committee', its granting of a regular column to a Sikh writer in its monthly newspaper, least of all the ridiculous stunt in which that same paper recently reported glowingly on a candidate who was proud of his black son-in-law and half-black grandchildren. Contrary to what some party spin-doctors would have us believe, scarcely one voter in thousands gives a damn about such things – in the very unlikely event of even having heard of them.

The BNP has managed to get five councillors elected in Lancashire and Yorkshire, and to increase its votes right across the board, for much more basic reasons, namely:-

- 1) During the past couple of years there has been an immense hardening of public opinion on the issue of immigration and racial matters – occasioned by the spectacular racial disorders that broke out in certain northern towns and cities in the Spring and Summer of 2001 and by the influx of asylum-seekers reaching flood levels that have impacted hugely on certain communities, with reverberations impacting in turn on national opinion almost everywhere.
- 2) Parallel with the above, certain sections of the media – particularly tabloid newspapers – have felt the pressure of public opinion to be much more outspoken on immigration matters than they ever were previously, resulting in reports and articles which have largely made the

**'Liberal' race postures
have nothing whatever
to do with the BNP's
recent successes, says
JOHN TYNDALL**



BNP's case for it.

- 3) At the same time, we have witnessed in the last few years a crippling decline in the credibility of the Tory Party – to the point at which, on this crucial issue in particular, it presents no noticeable alternative to the unpopular policies of the Government.

In the areas where our successes have occurred, there have been energetic local campaigns that have focused well on contentious local issues, particularly where a racial factor has been involved, and have tapped intelligently into local feelings.

A winning streak

Having achieved three impressive results in Lancashire in the general election of 2001, due to some of the factors mentioned above, the party has been able to exploit these in subsequent elections according to the principle that "success breeds success." The high votes in two Oldham seats and in Burnley in the wake of the Oldham riots enormously boosted the BNP's credibility with voters, effectively countering the 'wasted-vote' syndrome. When voters believe a party can win, many of them will support it having not done so in the past, though then being largely in sympathy with its policies.

The last-named factor is hugely important, and did much to limit the BNP's success previously. The party's sole victory in earlier days, its capture of the Millwall seat in East London in September 1993, was due in no small part to its achievement in obtaining 20 per cent of the vote in the same ward eleven months before. This convinced large numbers of additional voters that it could win next time, which it did with their help. Also, in the aftermath of the earlier Millwall election some of the media 'talked

up' our chances in the following one, and thereby greatly improved them.

At Millwall some of the other factors mentioned above also came together in a purely localised way, and this enabled the party to score highly in several more areas in local government elections nearby in the Spring of 1994, and very respectably in a by-election shortly following these. These successes – albeit that they were short-lived – were achieved when the party was operating an uncompromising hard-line policy on immigration and repatriation. They were not repeated for some time afterwards for a number of reasons, the main one being a Labour honeymoon with the voters consequent on Blair's accession to the leadership and long preceding his later fall from popularity. Another was the gradual white flight from the areas in question, which in turn resulted in a weakening of the BNP's active strength in those areas as well as much of its local electoral support base.

As one who has done his fair share of doorstep canvassing at election times – enough at least to get the feel of the way voters think – I have found that those voters are very little, if at all, preoccupied with whether our party has a 'hard line' policy on immigration or not. There is barely time, if one is to call on enough of them, to say anything more than "We want to stop immigration." This usually results either in an immediate thumbs-up or an immediate "f... off." Otherwise the voter says he/she will think about it, but even then discussion of 'hard-line' or 'soft-line' solutions scarcely ever comes up.

The East London results in 1993-94, particularly in Millwall, where we won, were also, of course achieved by well conducted local campaigns, with a great deal of hard

work, intelligent electioneering, lots of canvassing and very 'voter-friendly' approaches on the doorstep: good manners, tidy dress, and all the rest – none of which have been recent innovations but have been ingrained in party procedures for many years. The same things, of course, have brought excellent results in more recent elections; and those responsible are to be praised for this. But as for wishy-washy race postures – lickspitting to Sikhs and Hindus, statements that "some can stay," etc. – these have had nothing to do with it.

Ivory-tower 'experts'

Always in elections it is important to understand something of voter psychology, and on this subject I have heard no end of nonsense by self-styled experts on propaganda and 'imagery' over the years – usually people who dream up their ideas in ivory towers far from the arena of real street politics.

I, by contrast, perhaps know a little of which I speak. I was the BNP parliamentary

unionism that was to drag him down after four years of government. Race and immigration were certainly issues, but then had not generated a fraction of the public anger they were to do years later as the crisis of asylum-seekers came to a head as it did around the turn of the century, with prominent press stories of 'refugees' being put up in luxury hotels and draining the resources of communities all over the country.

No riots

Perhaps more significantly still, the Dagenham area had known nothing in the remembered past, least of all in the preceding weeks, of the ferocious rioting that had been generated by Asians in Oldham just before the last general election and was to follow in Burnley and Bradford shortly after. Dagenham was a peaceful, moderately prosperous upper working- and lower middle-class area just a little way away from the multi-racial hellholes of London's East End, albeit with a good few residents who had

did not permit it but also because electors did not seem disposed to talk about very much else. On earlier calls I spoke about the economy and Europe but soon ceased doing so as I learned that those issues only rarely rang any bells, though indeed they should have done. The one issue apart from immigration that undoubtedly did strike home was crime – with which in the minds of many it was inextricably linked. Here advocacy of capital punishment drew a good few approving comments. After that, it had to be 'goodbye' and, if applicable, "thanks for your support!"

The area was covered extensively by 'anti-racist' freaks who attempted to tell everybody that we were 'nazis', just as is the case today – and to that subject I shall return. My own view, but also that of many others, was that this activity was mostly counter-productive: many voters were struck by the ghastly appearance and manners of these opponents and the way they contrasted with the tidy looks and politeness of our own party workers, and this contrast left much more of a lasting impression than what was actually said. With the average voter, personal impressions leave a lasting legacy – at least up till the time of polling day – whereas political talk is usually forgotten five minutes afterwards.

Frantic media campaign

In the run-up to last year's local government elections, the 'anti-racist' and 'anti-nazi' frenzy reached new heights. Not only were there local campaigns of opposition in many of the key areas where we were standing candidates – with well-known *Coronation Street* personalities adding to the anti-BNP forces in Oldham – but large parts of the national news media joined in. For several days, Richard Desmond's Express group devoted the front pages of its papers to screaming headlines urging people not to vote BNP, while other papers, the *Daily Mirror* especially, joined the chorus. Prominent politicians, from the Prime Minister downwards, slammed our still very small party for all they were worth.

Writing in our July 2002 issue, I said of these attacks:-

"This hate campaign, with the Express group in the forefront, had two outstanding features. On the one hand, it completely drowned by sheer verbal and printed weight any counter-campaign that the BNP could have conducted to present itself as 'moderate', 'reasonable', 'decent', 'respectable' and above all 'non-nazi'. The voice of the BNP would have been scarcely audible over the national media compared with the crescendo mounted by its opponents, while even at local level its leaflets and canvassers would have been like David against the Goliath of the big parties and their massed battalions of press and



Dagenham 1994: The writer stands on the far right of the picture as the Mayor announces the results. Despite a split in the nationalist vote, he obtained 7 per cent – a "disturbing success," according to one newspaper.

candidate in the by-election in Dagenham in June 1994. My vote came to seven per cent of the poll. Also standing was a UKIP candidate, who scored 2.1 per cent, most of whose votes would probably have otherwise gone to me. This result was described in *The Mail on Sunday* as "a disturbing success." It was not as good as some of those obtained in the North of England in the general election of 2001. However, we must take into account that that Dagenham contest was fought in a wholly different political environment to these later ones. Tony Blair had only recently become Labour leader and was the bright young man with the nice smile who had begun very convincingly to sell his party's 'new' image and policy to the voters, with none of the baggage of failure and disill-

moved out to get away from those nightmare areas.

Many people I know consider this Dagenham result to compare not unfavourably with our recent northern results when all the local and national conditions prevailing at the different times are taken into account. The result was accomplished, as the latter were, by the hard work of fairly small teams, campaigning intelligently, canvassing to the limit of small resources and available time and presenting a 'voter-friendly' face to the public in so doing.

My experience on many doorsteps during this campaign was that repatriation of ethnic minorities simply was not an issue. Immigration most certainly was, but conversations seldom got beyond that – again because time

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television.

"In this scenario who can seriously suggest that more than one voter in tens of thousands could have been conscious of the existence of the BNP's 'Ethnic Liaison Committee', let alone influenced by that existence to vote for our party while not otherwise being disposed to do so? Who could have been swayed by the knowledge that BNP officials are having friendly meetings with non-Islamic minorities? And who would have attached important weight to the question of whether repatriation of these minorities should be compulsory or voluntary? The poor little voter was getting 'nazis, nazis, nazis' dinned into him from every direction and almost every hour of the day and night. Against this cacophony, such considerations would scarcely command a moment's thought.

"Yet large numbers of voters resisted these media pressures and supported us. How and why did they do so? I would suggest that it was because they were people stretched to such limits of frustration and sense of betrayal that they would vote for almost anyone who was manifestly different from the parties and politicians who had let them down. In Hartlepool people elected as mayor a man in a monkey suit – no doubt as a gesture of defiance and protest against their misrulers. In Burnley and other places where the BNP did well, they were offered an alternative somewhat more serious, and many took it, glad to have the chance."

It was no different in the latest of the elections in which the BNP was victorious. Adrian Marsden, standing in the Mixenden ward of Calderdale, Yorks., had no less than seven smear leaflets put out against him, including a very personal one claiming (correctly or incorrectly) that he had once been a member of Combat 18. It was all to no avail. He won.

Declining effect of smears

So what has all this smear propaganda achieved? It clearly has demonstrated a declining effect on voters. It has shown that in the face of 'nazi' smears an increasing number of members of the fed-up British public just couldn't care less. An ever larger majority of them were not even born at the time of World War II, let alone old enough to be conscious of wartime propaganda. To the remainder, Hitler is an historical figure scarcely less remote than Napoleon Bonaparte – the subject of articles, books and TV documentaries but in a way completely unrelated to contemporary experience.

Seen in this context, the constant harping by the present BNP leadership on the party's 'non-nazi' credentials becomes merely a distraction and a bore. It influences almost no

one and it sounds far too much like (to paraphrase Shakespeare) "protesting too much." And of course, the more BNP spokesmen go out of their way to claim that the party is not a 'nazi' party the more the media fraternity are likely to dig up every piece of dirt they can to prove that it is.

As for ethnic liaison committees, Sikh newspaper columnists and half-black grandchildren, the supposition that these do anything to counteract mass media propaganda is simply ludicrous. Against campaigns waged by tabloids like the *Express* and *Mirror*, this is like sending tiny toy boats out to sea to face an armada. It merely amuses the senders; in terms of the real political war it is pathetic.

If you still disbelieve what I am saying here, just tell me this: is an electorate which is not swayed against the BNP by all the smears that have been flung against it in these campaigns likely to be swayed in favour of it by these 'liberal' protestations of our party's own 'spin' brigade?

That is not all. While in damaging the BNP and holding up its progress these media barrages are subject to a law of diminishing returns, they can indeed have one effect that is surely unintended. As I have suggested of past efforts of the same kind, they 'talk up' the party's importance and thus enhance its prospects. As I constantly reiterated during our leaner times of electoral fortune, the biggest barrier to growth in votes, and to the securing of seats, was the 'wasted-vote' syndrome: the perception of so many electors that it was pointless supporting us at the polls because we couldn't win. The rioting in Oldham two years ago, combined with an energetic campaign by our local activists, set the BNP on a path of demonstrable upward mobility in terms of electoral support, and we are still benefiting from this trend. In a word, we are looking 'electable' – and this has nothing to do with the trimming down of traditional racial nationalist principles but a great deal to do with our being able to show people that we *can* get councillors elected and that their votes could be crucial in this process.

To reiterate:-

- During the past two or three years the political climate in Britain has changed out of all recognition from what it was previously, providing unprecedented opportunities for nationalism. This has been compounded of public anger over the failure of the Labour Government to do anything about immigration and the equal failure of the Tory Opposition to offer any robust alternative to Labour cowardice and dither.
- Excellent votes for the BNP in Lancashire following the Oldham rioting in 2001 created a 'winning roll' that has given the party renewed credibility, created the prospect that it can win seats and thus strengthened the public percep-

tion that a vote for it will not be wasted.

- 'Soft-line' stances on race issues have had virtually no bearing on nationalist electoral fortunes, mainly because scarcely one voter in thousands is even aware of them.

The NF argument

But the exponents of 'spin' (BNP-style) are not to be silenced; if one argument doesn't work, they'll try another. Nick Griffin, writing in *Identity* magazine in March, said of the BNP's recent policy shift on race issues:-

"Those, incidentally, who profess to believe that our present level of success is unrelated to this shift... is solely the result of 'external events and circumstances', need to explain the utter and abject failure during the same period of the rump of the National Front. This ever-declining band of 'hard-liners' have spent the last three years calling us 'sell-outs' and parading their tough policies and their big boots, yet its organisation, far from growing as external circumstances should in theory allow, has gone backwards, with genuine nationalists leaving it even faster than enemy stooges can join in the hope of using it to pollute the waters in which we swim."

This assertion is generally misleading and in places downright false. The reference to 'big boots' of course is a red herring; I know of no one in the BNP who argues against Mr. Griffin's 'non-racist' gimmicks being in favour of the 'big-boot' approach. As for the National Front, I am far from having any axes to grind on its behalf. There are real and genuine differences between our two organisations, and were I not to stand broadly on the side of the BNP over those differences I would not today be supporting it but would be supporting the NF instead. However, Mr. Griffin's talk of the 'abject failure' of the Front is not strictly correct. The latter party is much poorer in numbers, resources, organisation and political expertise than the BNP, and this has been the case since the late 1980s. Its recent progress and electoral results have to be assessed against this background and gauged in terms relative to its position two or three years ago. And *relatively* the NF has made progress. In certain areas of North West and North East England, in particular, it has grown in membership at the same time as the BNP has grown. As for members leaving, it is a fact that a not negligible number of members of the BNP have defected to the National Front, just as have some members of the NF defected to the BNP – making the tendency of quitting parties not quite so one-way as Mr. Griffin would have us believe.

A study of NF election results in 2001 and 2002 will establish that they have in fact improved considerably from previous times. In May 2002 the NF stood candidates in Birmingham and the London boroughs of

Bromley and Southwark. In the Kingstanding ward of Birmingham it won 384 votes, which came to 8.7 per cent of the poll, while the only BNP candidate standing in Birmingham, contesting the Weoley ward, managed 351 votes, or 7.3 per cent. In the two London wards it fought, the NF took 9.6 per cent of the vote in South Bermondsey and 7.7 per cent in Mottingham & Chislehurst North (these percentages being adjusted, as is also BNP procedure, to an assessment of what they would have been had a full complement of candidates been entered in the wards in question).

In South Bermondsey the aggregate vote achieved by the NF candidate in just the one ward in 2002 (192) was higher than the same party scored in the whole constituency of Southwark & Bermondsey in the general election ten years previously, when it managed a mere 168 votes.

The truth is that with the vast breakdown in public confidence in the mainstream parties over the last couple of years nationalism as a whole has benefited and nationalist parties have become more credible and popular than they were previously. BNP membership is much larger and election results much better than those of the National Front, yet in terms relative to the past both parties have registered noticeable gains.

More likely dangers

As these words are written, the local government elections are 19 days away. We cannot know precisely what anti-BNP propaganda will be thrown at the voters in that



MARGARET THATCHER
At the general election of 1979 she stole nationalists' clothes. Will someone try it again?

time and how this will affect the results. In my own opinion, a far greater danger that our party will face in the future (though not necessarily as soon as May 1st this year) is that our opponents will attempt to steal our clothes, as the then Mrs. Thatcher stole the clothes of the National Front in 1979, by striking half-baked and thoroughly bogus postures calculated to lull the British public

into thinking that, at long last, something is being done about immigration. One scenario might be the ostentatious kicking out of one or two particularly high-profile aliens – to appropriate screeches of protest from *The Guardian* and *The Independent* at one end of the market and the *Daily Mirror* at the other. Another might be a carefully orchestrated speech by Iain Duncan Smith declaring that the asylum-seeker crisis had reached the point at which some firm action simply had to be taken – of course with all the familiar escape clauses thrown in to enable the Tory leader to maintain his credentials as an impeccable 'non-racist' and believer in 'inclusivity'.

These manoeuvres *could* adversely affect the BNP's fortunes, at least temporarily, just as recent developments on the race and immigration front have brought it massive benefits. In either event, it is a case of the party's progress being hampered or assisted by factors entirely external to itself and outside its control. That is politics, and if such outflanking tactics were to be adopted with some effect it would be up to us to devise new tactics and strategies to deal with them. I am confident that any setbacks we may encounter would not be permanent because I believe that history is moving inexorably in our direction. What is always important, however, is that we recognise the limitations of our ability, at any one time, to regulate *events*. External events harnessed to internal action: that is the formula for great political change. Wisdom lies in getting this formula right.

MADHOUSE BRITAIN

PATRICK HAMILTON, a former paratrooper, was annoyed when a mob of yobbos were found threatening his teenage daughter. They had followed her home from a cafe where she had been working in North Shields, North Tyneside, and were banging on the house windows. He came out and confronted them, grabbing one and making a citizen's arrest.

So what happened when the police arrived? They apprehended Mr. Hamilton himself and took him away, handcuffed, in a squad car. He was held for a hour in a cell in the local station, deprived of his watch and shoes, then interviewed on tape under caution, before being released without charge.

None of the youths threatening Mr. Hamilton's daughter has been charged.

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A DRIVER with 93 previous convictions and heavily under the influence of heroin mowed down a three-year-old girl on a pedestrian crossing. Instead of stopping, he made a quick getaway, hitting another car in the process.

The girl, Isobel Appleton, later died in hospital. The driver, Gary Clarke, appeared at Wolverhampton Crown Court charged with dangerous driving, exceeding the speed limit and failing to stop. He was jailed for five years – the

maximum sentence in such a case being ten years. With parole he is likely to be out in three years, if not earlier.

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OUR diplomats in Paris have been instructed to 'appear less British' for fear that they will be the targets of anti-war sentiment by the French.

The ruling from Whitehall followed the emergence of anger in France over Tony Blair's role in the war against Iraq. It includes a ban on speaking English in public, the stripping of all GB stickers from cars and using taxis instead of official limos.

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A RESEARCHER of the European Sociological Association has discovered that school history books in Britain and elsewhere are being deliberately doctored so as to play down conflicts among Europeans, as well as those between Europeans and others.

Dr. Yasemin Soysal claims that references to the Vikings as 'fierce raiders', as in former histories, have been deleted and that they are now just being referred to as farmers and traders. The role of Napoleon as a military conqueror is minimised and the emphasis is placed on his record as "a reformer who greatly influenced Europe." As for the Sara-

cens, they were a civilised race living in harmony with the crusaders.

Apparently, this anodyne version of history has been inspired by UNESCO with a view to eliminating nationalist sentiment among young people.

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KAREN BUCKLEY, who has three teenage children, was chosen 'Mum of the Year' by a local newspaper in Rochdale, Lancs. After receiving her prize she disclosed that she had had a sex-change operation and that in fact she was the father of the children.

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EDUCATION body OFSTED has issued a 10-page questionnaire about the registration of child day-care providers. The last question on the last page is: "Do you speak English?"

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A MAN in Tyne & Wear made 2,500 calls to the new tax credit helpline before being connected to a member of the staff – who then told him that the claim form he needed would take 15 days to arrive.

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POLICE in London have been banned from flying the Union Jack from patrol cars in solidarity with British forces in the Gulf. A number of officers were pulled up for doing so.

Senior officers fear that such display could offend Muslims.

THE FLIGHT THAT FAILED

Rudolf Hess, the Duke of Kent and World War II

Double Standards: The Rudolf Hess Cover-Up, by Lynn Picknett, Clive Prince and Stephen Prior, assisted by Robert Brydon (Little, Brown & Co., London, 2001, hc, 578 pages).

This book deals another powerful blow to the received or 'establishment' view of the causes and events of World War II. It centres on the extraordinary solo flight from Germany to Scotland made by Germany's Deputy Leader, Rudolf Hess, on 10th May 1941 and argues that powerful interests in Britain and America frustrated a genuine peace initiative and engaged in massive and dishonest concealments thereafter.

In their introduction, the authors list a series of questions they set out to answer. These are given below with a brief and simplified summary of my understanding of how the authors answer them.

Q. What were Hess's true motives when he flew to Scotland?

A. He was seeking to conclude a secret peace agreement between Britain and Germany which he saw as capable of preserving the British Empire, minimising German, British and French casualties, and enabling Germany to fight the main foe of tyrannous Bolshevism which had Russia in its grip. Expanded territory for Germany to its east was also an important consideration.

Q. Who else, if anyone, knew about the flight?

A. Hitler almost certainly knew of and approved the flight. In Britain a sizeable and important 'peace party' knew in advance of the flight, including the King, the Duke of Kent, the Duke of Hamilton, the head of MI6 and senior political figures. Unfortunately, the 'war party' in Britain got wind of the trip, were able to sabotage the proposed landing at Dungavel and capture Hess himself.

Q. Did Hess bring peace proposals and, if so, what were their terms? Were they the rantings of a madman (Hitler), or the realistic proposals of a seasoned politician? Did they offer threats or some kind of compromise scenario that Britain could have seriously considered?

A. Hess's peace proposals were almost certainly practical, intelligent, detailed and generous. They were completely sane and included German non-interference in the British Empire. They were in Britain's interests and should have been properly and openly considered by the British Government under Churchill.

Q. Why did the British Government keep Hess's peace proposals secret – and why have its successors maintained a wall of silence about them even now? What was there about Hess's peace plan that is still too explosive to make public?

A. The Churchill Government represented interests that did not want peace. These interests

included a powerful Jewish lobby and a powerful American lobby eager to profit by the prolongation of fighting. Churchill's own egoism and ambition was a major factor. Effectively, the 'war party' used its power to sideline peace proposals that were in the interests of Britain, its Empire and most British people. It is difficult not to see this as betrayal.

Review by NIGEL JACKSON

Q. Was there, as Hess clearly believed, an influential peace lobby in Britain in 1941 and, if so, how far up the social ladder did it reach?

A. Hess probably carried with him a guarantee of safe-pass as a peace envoy issued on behalf of the King by a military officer who is believed to have been held incommunicado in Scotland from 1943 until his death in 1970. There was indeed a powerful and influential peace lobby in Britain, composed of many aristocratic and services leaders as well as other influential Britons. It was their hope that the Hess mission would lead to a *coup* against Churchill.

AFTER THE HESS LANDING Police and Home Guard are seen here by the German Deputy Leader's crashed plane



Q. Is Dr. Hugh Thomas right about the old man in Spandau being a Hess double? If the real Hess had been replaced by a lookalike, what happened to the Deputy Führer? Why was such an elaborate ruse necessary? And how did the British authorities pull it off?

A. Medical information confirms that the prisoner in Spandau was *not* Hess. It appears that in 1942 the 'peace party' succeeded in kidnapping Hess and hiding him in Scotland. This may have forced the British authorities to replace him with a double. They probably used a German prisoner whom they brainwashed. There is reason to believe that Hess was an unlisted traveller in the flying boat in which the Duke of Kent perished on 25th August 1942 and that an effort was being made to fly him to neutral Sweden. Suspicion

exists that the flying boat was sabotaged.

Q. Why was Spandau's Prisoner Number Seven incarcerated for so long?

A. The suspected brainwashing would not hold forever. The double's behaviour at the Nuremberg War Crimes Tribunal had already aroused public suspicions. If released, he might have spilled some very embarrassing beans.

Q. Was the prisoner murdered and, if so, was it because even at the age of 93 he still represented some kind of threat to the authorities?

A. It is almost certain that he was murdered by the British because he was about to be released. If he told his story it would have rocked the British Establishment and seriously undermined current paradigms about the causes and nature of World War II.

Anyone interested to penetrate to the truth of this phase of British history should study this book. It is true that some of the evidence advanced is questionable; but, overall, the authors appear to have successfully documented their case. Each part supports the other parts. Other weaknesses include a rather too ready acceptance of the received view of the 'Holocaust' and the fitness of labelling men like Captain Ramsay and Admiral

Domville as 'anti-semitic'.

One is left, after reading the book, with a feeling of terrible sadness for a lost opportunity for the British people, together with a sense of outrage at the unholy efforts that were made to avoid peace in 1941 or 1942. One is also made aware of the dreadful corruption within Britain in the past century. No wonder David Irving's earlier books received such irrational and hostile receptions! No wonder there were such internments under Regulation 18b in May 1940!

It should be noted that the authors have just published a new book entitled *War of the Windsors: a Century of Unconstitutional Rule*. A sneering paragraph about it in *The Age* (Melbourne) prompted me to request it from my local library and to read *Double Standards* first.

VOCABULARY FOR THE POLITICALLY AWARE

Cost-Effectiveness

Achieving the best results at least cost. This has to be the iron discipline of organisations with large ambitions and meagre resources.

Compromise

A 'weasel word' of liberal politicians for what is essentially an act of surrender or betrayal. Typical specimens are 'Negotiated settlement', for example the surrender of Ulster to IRA terrorists, Dublin politicians and the Irish-American lobby; 'Subsidiarity', meaning surrender of British national sovereignty to a federal Europe; 'Devolution', meaning a staged dissolution of the United Kingdom; 'Community Policing', meaning a grossly over-indulgent and cowardly attitude towards criminality in Afro-Asian ghettos.

Civilisation

The necessary pre-conditions for civilisations worthy of the name are: racial homogeneity and cohesion; a long period of relative social stability and prosperity; high educational standards; good infrastructures – roads, sewers, water supplies, food production, power sources, *et al*; sophisticated language, literature, art and music; Enlightened legislation; An independent and humane, but firm, judiciary

Civilisation remains an essentially European achievement on which the rest of the world has been more or less dependent for whatever socio-economic progress it has achieved. The most 'modernised' Asiatic, African and Latin-American countries are built on European foundations in such fields as engineering, science, architecture, civic administration, education, health care, etc.

Democracy

The number-one 'buzz-word' of demagogues and liberal theorists. Ostensibly a system of government based on 'the will of the people', but in practice rule by a powerfully entrenched oligarchy with a standing army of career bureaucrats to maintain the *status-quo*, and operating behind a facade of bogus political 'pluralism'. Meanwhile the 'will of the people' is diverted into popular entertainments and superficial debates about inconsequential matters.

Discrimination

Recognition of actual and ineradicable differences, e.g. between the races and sexes. To be undiscriminating is therefore synonymous with stupidity, ignorance or perversity. Loyalty and discrimination are indivisible sides of the same coin.

Developing Countries

Liberal euphemism for Third World countries incapable of development and chronically dependent on Western aid.

Decadence

Decay of all those values, traditions, disciplines, institutions and standards

which sustain a viable and worthwhile society. Decadence is abundantly evident in those Western countries burdened with the social engineering of liberal politicians.

Duty

Action required to fulfil one's obligations as a matter of honour and trustworthiness. Particularly important with regard to obligations to nation and race.

Dialectic(Process)

The historical cycle whereby an assertive ideology rises to its peak of achievement, but in the process generates an opposing ideology which seeks to counter its worst features. Stalemate is followed by the emergence of a 'third force' which purports to represent the best and avoid the worst features of the main antagonists. Thus, for example, the Liberal Democrats are at present posing as the 'natural alternatives' to Tory and Labour 'extremism' – a totally fraudulent claim since there is little to choose between all three parties concerning matters vital to Britain's future as a worthwhile nation-state.

The very fact that it is utterly opposed by all three main political parties in Britain today makes the British National Party their natural and inevitable replacement. When the political pendulum has swung to one extreme, it can only move towards the other.

Discipline

Direction and control of behaviour in accordance with certain principles or to achieve a particular objective. There are self-imposed and socially-imposed disciplines which may not always be reconcilable. In some instances, therefore, the individual's own discipline, however meritorious, may expose him to more or less social pressures ranging from ostracism to martyrdom; and only posterity can decide whether the outlawed individual's discipline was actually superior to that of the society which persecuted him. Obviously, discipline cannot be an end in itself, and must be judged by its purposes.

Disenfranchise

Means to remove a citizen's ability to influence the direction and character of government by exercising a vote. The British people are now effectively disenfranchised, since a vote for any of the three main political factions at Westminster will make no significant difference to the ways in which the country is currently misgoverned. This spurious 'pluralism' therefore creates the appearance of democratic choice without actually allowing it.

Disarmament

A major element of liberal politics, even though it entails abandoning the State's first duty to protect its people from all enemies. The State is only entitled to a

monopoly of arms so long as it is seen to fulfil this primary obligation. Where it manifestly fails in this regard, it becomes the right and the duty of good citizens to arm themselves in whatever way they can do within the law. As a nation, we must be militarily powerful enough to deter all potential aggressors, none of whom show any inclination to disarm themselves.

Disinformation

Deliberate deception by distorting or withholding the truth. Synonymous with 'propaganda'. Not to be confused with 'misinformation', which is essentially unintentional and innocent.

Expert

A relatively well-informed or skilled person. The term is wantonly and absurdly used by journalists to describe individuals whose credibility has yet to be proven.

The expert has been wryly deemed as "any fairly plausible chap in a decent suit more than five miles from home."

In the context of modern politics, an 'expert' is any person deemed by the media to possess sound and 'acceptable' views.

Equal Opportunities

Liberal euphemism for preferential treatment extended to negroes, Asians, females and homosexuals regardless of merit. It is the dominant ethos of social engineering. In effect, 'equal opportunities' in the politics of today means *unequal opportunities*.

Eugenics

Means selective breeding to reproduce the best and not the worst specimens. Adopted everywhere by stockbreeders, horticulturists, agriculturists and such, but described as 'abhorrent' when applied to human reproduction. With static or declining white populations and a hugely expanding Third World population, we are actually practising its opposite – *dysgenics* – on a scale which must soon become catastrophic due to failing planetary resources and invasion of Western societies by economic migrants. Evolution is primarily and essentially a eugenic process, now being subverted by egalitarian politicians and the 'all-life-is-sacred' dogma of the Church. Only natural selection is sacred; the rest is self-delusion.

European Union

The former 'Common Market', now revealed as a front organisation for Euro-federalists and 'one world' politicians, whose real agenda is a multi-racial world market of consumers dominated by international agencies (most of them Zionist in character). It runs counter to all the evidence of history in believing that a synthetic super-state (like the former USSR) can succeed better than individual and racially homogeneous nations.

To be continued

'BECKHAMISING' THE YOUNG BRITISH MALE

ARE YOU a Dad or Mum with a son who's an ardent David Beckham fan? If so, you should be worried.

David Beckham is an extremely talented footballer – of that there is no doubt. He is possibly the world's foremost specialist in the art of the swerving free kick. He reads a game extremely well, and can pass the ball almost any distance with pinpoint accuracy.

That is the credit side.

But David Beckham always seems to have had a problem growing up. The first sign of this was when he did more than any player to ensure England would be eliminated from the World Cup in 1998 by getting himself sent off after petulantly aiming a kick at an Argentine player who had brought him down.

Beckham somehow survived this to get himself made England team captain – an appointment which always baffled this writer, unless it was all part of the politics of football, tied in as the game is with the commercial razzamatazz of marketing, fashion, and 'pop' entertainment. And from England skipper he has subsequently graduated to a British cult figure for young people, even an international one (he is reputed to have a huge fan club in Japan, of all places).

OTHER STARS

As I've said, Beckham is talented. But there are other equally talented young sports folk around. Rugby has its Jonny Wilkinson. Cricket has Darren Gough and Michael Vaughan. Golf has Lee Westwood and Justin Rose. Athletics has Paula Radcliffe. And where soccer is concerned, Beckham isn't the only pebble on the beach. There's also Michael Owen – and now the astonishing 17-year-old Wayne Rooney. Owen, incidentally, has quite presentable looks – of the clean-cut type – and has many female admirers.

But Beckham has something over these others. He has a gigantic media industry working for him. And it is this media industry – TV, tabloid newspapers, popular magazines, CDs, the Internet – that is turning him into a model that millions of youngsters pin on

their bedroom walls; a superstar celebrity in his own right, quite apart from his skills on the football field; a pop hero whom vast numbers of young British girls are encouraged to swoon over and vast numbers of young British boys want to be like.

And this is the problem.

JAMES THURGOOD warns of an insidious brainwashing tendency

For David Beckham – off the football field – is everything that we should *not* want our young men to become.

He is married to the pop singer 'Posh' Spice, a.k.a. Victoria Adams. I am not sure what Posh's family antecedents are but one look at her photos – and we certainly get enough of them – shows that she is very unlikely to be wholly white.

They have a kid whom they have named Brooklyn – presumably after the well-known district and bridge in New York City. A traditional British name would of course be too ordinary for the offspring of Posh and Becks!

But there is more, much more.

A piece in the *Daily Mail* of the 3rd February focused on the young Mr. Beckham. According to the writers, Kiran Randhawa (no, that's not a mis-

spelling) and David Wilkes, experts say that David Beckham "is changing male behaviour." And the article went on:-

"The England captain, who changes his hairstyle more often than some men change their socks, strikes a chord with everyone between the ages of five and 60, says a university study."

Well that's an admission. We now have the resources of universities given to the study of David Beckham! Is it any wonder that Britain is not producing the graduates able to keep the country competitive in the world? And five-year-olds! When I was a five-year-old I was preoccupied with toy cars and furry animals. How times change!

But to return to the article:-

"Research into the effects of 27-year-old Beckham's worldwide fame claims his much derided, idiosyncratic style and approach to life have helped transform men's attitudes to sex, love, babies and even homosexuality."

"The study singles out the Manchester United midfielder's love of fashion and shopping as one way in which the sarong-wearing star – whose earnings topped £15 million last year – is redefining the model of a modern man."

BREAKING MASCULINE CODES

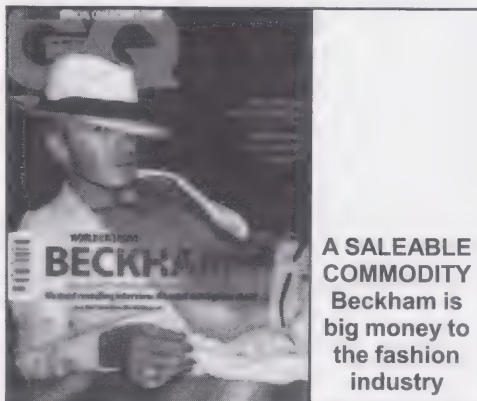
The writers quote Warwick University sociology professor Dr. Andrew Parker, whom they name as co-author of the Beckham study. According to Dr. Parker:-

"He has helped to break masculine codes by defying various manly expectations such as what clothes men are allowed to wear... He is managing to single-handedly change male behaviour globally and for the better."

For the better? Well a sociology professor would say that, wouldn't he?

The *Mail* article went on to say that...

"Dr. Parker and his co-author, Professor Ellis Cashmore, of Staffordshire University, will unveil their findings at a conference this week. Their research is entitled 'One David



Beckham: Celebrity, Masculinity and the Soccerati' ..."

So now we're having conferences of presumably distinguished academics to discuss David Beckham. No wonder... But I'm off again!

"Beckham," the article says...

"... symbolises the breakdown of male stereotypes by showing an interest in ballet and fashion, publicly confessing his love for his wife and even daring to acknowledge his large gay following, say the academics."

And quoting Dr. Parker again:-

"Despite his high profile and the ridicule he risks, Beckham stands resolute: bucking the macho trend, setting his own agenda, showing support for his wife, playing the perfect father, remaining every mother's favourite... English professional soccer may not modify its masculine profile as a direct result of David Beckham, but his popular kudos could stimulate change in terms of masculine norms and expectations both inside and outside of sporting locales in the years to come."

Note a subtle little insert here. The implication is that to be masculine means *not* supporting one's wife nor being a good father or son. The twist is that these thoroughly normal and decent virtues must only be associated with the epicene 'new man', never with real men. This is typical sociological gobbledegook.

LOVED BY 'GAYS'

David Beckham may not be 'gay' himself, but to sociologists and 'world-improvers' he's the next best thing: he takes pride in his 'gay' following. In a recent match against a Turkish team some member of the opposing side made gestures that called David's manhood into question. Most normal men would respond to this kind of thing by suggesting a meeting outside after the game, but Beckham – no doubt to nods of approval from the great and the good – just blew the fellow a kiss.

So perhaps the reader of this magazine will now understand why David Beckham – and not equally skilled and accomplished sports stars – has been turned by the mass media into an object of huge public focus, developing into nothing less than universal adulation. You see, Beckham – whether he is in the slightest bit aware of it or not – has become a political tool.

And he is probably not aware, for whenever he has been interviewed on TV he has not exactly come across as

Brain of Britain. In fact, by contrast with his dexterity when a ball is at his feet, he seems to find it difficult to put two coherent words together.

But of course that's part of his charm and his appeal. The 'ideal man' of the brave new world our media masters are busy shaping must not only be effeminate, he also needs to be dumb.

For it is a world in which other people – people a whole tribe apart from the likes of David – will be doing the thinking and making the decisions.

We have said it before: 'Dumbed-down' Britain is not just something that has happened; for many it is a matter of policy.

And people like David Beckham are its living personification, its outstanding exemplars.

But that is not all. There's yet more to David Beckham.

INTO EVERYTHING BLACK

The Sunday Times News Review of April 20th did another piece on Becks, titled 'For a white man, Beckham is

"No other icon shows such an appreciation of black culture."

(Sunday Times News Review)

pretty black'. According to this item, from the pen of Paul MacKenzie, our hero is obsessed with black ways, has a huge black following (bigger, apparently, than that of authentic black player Les Ferdinand) and is addressed by the local black community as 'brother'. As MacKenzie goes on to say:-

"... no other icon shows such an appreciation of black culture: his two dogs are named Snoop and Puffy after two famous rappers. Then there's his taste in clothes, the designer labels and showy jewellery: so ghetto-fabulous. He leads what has become known as the 'bling bling' lifestyle – a love of ostentatious, conspicuous consumption – exemplified so well by P. Diddy. He has a fleet of sports cars, foremost a top-of-the-range Bentley."

And he went on:-

"Beckham is 'ebonised' – the term Americans are now using to describe those who have become so immersed in black culture that they are black in every way but the colour of their skin."

Clearly, MacKenzie is one of those who rejoice in all this (how otherwise would he be writing in *The Sunday*

Times?). Developing his theme, he says:-

"But it's not just celebrities who are affected. They merely represent a racial revolution among the young. Third-generation black Britons sit more comfortably than ever with their white counterparts, and to white city kids black people are not alien. They have grown up together and their language, fashions, musical tastes and icons are merging. If you close your eyes on a London bus and listen to the street slang used by teenagers, you would not be able to guess their racial origins."

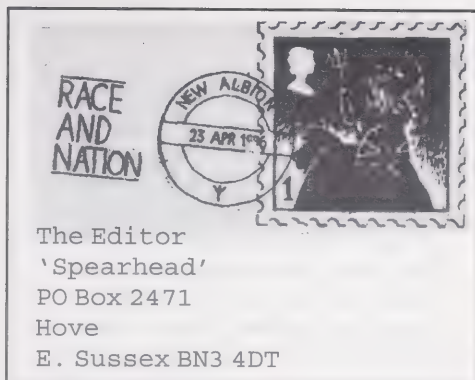
To me, the most interesting word in this passage is the word 'represent'. That of course is the whole point. Celebrities today do not earn their fame just by their accomplishments, whether of this or that – sport, popular music, movies, TV soaps; from out of those who display such talents, certain ones are picked for special cult-hero status because they conform to a particular mould: they epitomise the *zeitgeist* which our opinion-formers are determined to promote and entrench. They 'represent' the revolution that is being planned for us!

Their special qualifications must be that they are fame-junkies – they thirst for it and will do anything to get it; that they are money-crazy and will say anything and do anything for financial gain; that they are generally rather stupid but not so stupid that they don't know a good career-booster when they see it, that they do not recognise what is the right 'in-crowd' to win favour with.

THE PERFECT ROLE MODEL

Beckham, by contrast with some other sports champions, is the perfect fit in these regards. That is why there is a Beckham industry and not an Owen industry, a Wilkinson industry or a Radcliffe industry. Beckham, and everything he represents, is the living symbol of the new Britain to which our rulers want us to be patriotic. He is the Briton with whom those rulers want us to identify. Nelson? Drake? Albert Ball? Douglas Bader? Young Jack Cornwell? Forget them! Better that our youth never hear of them. They represent a nation that must somehow be buried in the mists of antiquity and reaction. David is the present and the future. And how the young crave to be in the swing of the present and the future!

So if you're a Dad or a Mum with a youngster hooked on David Beckham, you'd better get busy. You have a hell of a lot of re-educating to do!



SIR: Just as in 1939, we are being served up with absolute drivel to justify a war that is in no way in our interests.

Let people be in no doubt that it was always the plan to attack Iraq, and the whole theatrical United Nations exercise prior to invasion was just a charade – partly to dupe Saddam Hussein into thinking that if he destroyed his nation's weaponry he would prevent this gangster operation. All that this achieved was to weaken his defensive arsenal and make invasion that much easier.

Various commentators are now saying that the coalition 'victory' (which was never in doubt) vindicates Bush's and Blair's decision to go into Iraq. Not so.

There are many countries around the world which have governments of the kind we would not deem desirable, but no attempt has been made to invade them. What made Iraq a target was its hostility to Israel. For this reason it was singled out by Jewish-controlled America.

As for the alleged 'weapons of mass destruction' (WMD), where were they? Iraq failed to put a single fighter jet into the air against the invaders.

Many thousands of Iraqi men, women and children have been butchered – for one reason only: to give Israel *carte blanche* in the Middle East.

If any good at all can come out of all this, it must be that European countries like France, Germany and Russia have seen the heavy black veil over the truth lifted somewhat, which now reveals a profound fact: the degree of control Jewish interests hold the world over, manifesting itself in what is commonly described as the 'New World Order'.

PHILIP FORDER-WHITE
Shaftsbury, Dorset

SIR: At the start of the 'Iraqi Job' – the biggest ever case of robbery with extreme violence – I predicted that the Americans would kill more British soldiers than the Iraqis would. Up to the time of writing this prediction has been proven correct.

The all-too-familiar so-called 'friendly fire' (what a misnomer!) is really incompetent and stupid fire, and seems to have been anticipated when, in an interview some months prior to the war, British soldiers expressed reservations about fighting alongside US forces; they were no doubt aware of a tendency dating back to World War II. As the body count rose, one was reminded of the phrase: "With friends like that, who needs enemies?"

The purpose of the war, ostensibly, was

that of taking away Saddam's 'weapons of mass destruction'. When none were found – surprise, surprise! – the pirates, now desperate to find an alternative excuse to invade, elevated this sordid little war into a 'moral crusade' against a 'tyrant'.

The war then slid from grotesque farce to grim tragedy, with the culpable homicide of British soldiers, their young lives wasted by a clumsy ally in an ignoble cause. It is to be hoped that butcher Blair can live with it!
N.G. CHARNLEY
Blackpool, Lancs.

SIR: Further to Mr. G.M. Hubbard's letter last month, there is no credible historical evidence showing that a person named Jesus Christ lived during the years 1-33 AD or taught the gospels during the latter years of his life. Also the existence of his four purported chroniclers Matthew, Mark, Luke and John cannot be reliably vouched for.

There are reasons to think that Rabbi Saul of Tarsus (known to Christians as St. Paul – the Billy Graham of his day) conceived Judaic Christianity as a powerful propagand brain bomb, which he applied successfully to the flourishing Roman Empire after General Titus had levelled Jerusalem while quelling the Jewish rebellion there.

An important source for the Tarsus Rabbi and other Jewish script-writers appears to be a Jewish sect called the Essenes, whose 'Teacher of Righteousness' included items found in the so-called 'Sermon on the Mount'. This pacifist sect disappeared for the alleged life of Jesus Christ, although some of its scrolls are still around. Other sources used to form parts of the fake Judaic-Christianity story were pilfered from many other peoples.

The Judaic-Christian handbook (the 'Holy Bible') must contain the wildest stories ever told. It also contains much filth, pornography, contradictions, absurdities, unfulfilled prophecies and broken promises.

There may be a case for people having a religion (a code for living), but it must be a good one and not one which includes such bad advice as "resist not evil," "blessed are the meek," "take no thought for the morrow," "turn the other cheek," "if any man come to me and hate not his father, mother, wife, children, etc., etc."

The world we are in now is the only one having our form of life of which any of us knows so far, and this contains several large man-made hoaxes – perpetuated by vested interests. These could be easily dismantled if truth were allowed to prevail.

E.W. CARR
Malvern, Worcs.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: In anticipation of these exchanges dragging on indefinitely and occupying inordinate space in what is supposed to be a political publication, this particular correspondence is now closed).

SIR: The letter by Matthew Armitage last month brought to mind my experience of having written scores of letters to the Prime Minister's Office and Home Office,

etc., in recent years. I would hazard a guess that between a third and a half of the replies of acknowledgement (when they are ever received) were signed on behalf of their respective masters with names that I can swear that I never came across in the first 30 or so years of my life (I am now 77).

Good old names like Smith, Robinson, Jones, McKay or even O'Malley seldom seem to appear, nor even more unusual but equally British names such as Cholmondeley or Featherstonehaugh!

Instead, I am treated to names that seem to indicate that the signers of the letters decided to take up careers in the Civil Service instead of the possibly more lucrative fields of restaurant proprietorship and market-vending.

Effectively, one feels that this is more than just a random chance occurrence, and is more likely a 'put-down' to show me (and no doubt thousands of others) that Britain has become a multi-racial society whether we like it or not, etc., etc.

May I appeal to readers of *Spearhead* to send to the editor such letters (or copies) of the kind of which I complain, along with letters bearing genuine British names, so that a proportionate analysis might be made?

CHARLES WILLIAMS
Wimbourne, Dorset

SIR: I thought readers might like to know that on a recent BBC Radio Four *Today* programme hosted by John Humphries the guest was the Dean of Aston, Birmingham. The good Dean told us that (presumably in a dream) he found himself in heaven. There was row after row of black, white and brown faces before him as they discussed the nightmare situation there, with crime, drugs and guns!
MICHAEL INGRAMS
Orpington, Kent

SIR: Have you heard about the latest indignity our governors have heaped on our heads? It seems that the post office now has special counters for the droves of ethnic minorities flooding into Britain. These are to issue them their social security payments and save them waiting in normal queues like the rest of us!

Have our governors become so arrogant with power – and do they despise us so much – that they think they can bruise our sensitivities with impunity?

HARRY MULLIN
Glasgow

SIR: M. Raphael Johnson, in his review article 'Nationalism and Ethnic Conflict' (April issue) has pointed out a gross inconsistency in the thinking of 'liberals'. To them, Scottish, Welsh or Irish Nationalism are 'good' because they help to fragment and weaken Britain, while British Nationalism is 'bad' because it strengthens. But there is a consistency behind it all: always, 'liberal' ideas are fired by an essentially destructive agenda.

ALAN FROGGATT
Leeds

The never-ending spending spree...

Nothing spawned by the wonders of modern technology comes close to the miracle of double-entry book-keeping. In its simplest form it insists that when money is laid out we will also be informed as to how it was spent, i.e., it provides that every debit must be matched by a corresponding credit. And at any stage of the proceedings we can take a trial balance to check that the rules are being properly applied. Of course, no system can be foolproof. A glance at the nefarious activities of Cap'n Bob Maxwell and others of his ilk will prove that point. Nevertheless, provided that there is a record, the veracity of that record can always be challenged by the introduction of contradictory evidence, and fraud discovered. Without a proper record, the auditor has nowhere to begin his job.

These are days when numbers just roll off the tongue, so when we say that the EU Commission's budget is running at £66 billion, we would implore readers to consider that this means sixty-six thousand million pounds of taxpayers money! And, as the UK's membership is said to be costing us £1.3 million pounds every hour, our own annual payment would be in the region of £11,400 million. Reflect also that we get absolutely nothing out of this. All that happens is that civil servants far less capable than our own shovel money around the Community and 'lose' a good deal of it in the process. The Commission, in the words of a respected broadsheet, "Is unfit to run a corner shop" as, "its accounting systems are so scandalously short of all accepted standards, even mandatory double-entry book-keeping, that records can be altered at whim, all but undetectably." In a similar vein, one MEP opines that the EU has an accounting system that would not be acceptable in a school tuck-shop.

... and the arrival of Mr. Fixit

Not that the Commission has been content to leave the problem unattended. Far from it! Here was a job for the best man available, a dynamic, thrusting, almost superhuman, yet down-to-earth, trouble-shooter who would see off all

THE WAY WE LIVE NOW

Some observations on contemporary society by JUNIUS

the fraudsters and pronounce that the Commission had a clean bill of health! So it was that on a warm sunny afternoon in 1999 they roused Commissioner Kinnock from his deep slumber – very gently, of course – and told him that he was in charge of Administrative Reform. Neil, unfortunately, reacted as though he was still leader of the Labour Party and followed the old party line that "if someone talks out of turn you shut them up." So when Chief Accountant Marta Andreasen complained that the Commission's financial controls were "worse than Enron's" she was sacked for her candour. More recently, another intrepid lady, Dorte Schmidt-Brown, uncovered a nasty little racket in Luxembourg, and was libelled for her pains. Did Neil spring to her defence and organise some legal aid? Well, not exactly. Instead he stood behind the decision of his gutless officials, supporting their view that "the focus should be on the future."

We find that there is a tendency amongst patriots to treat the EU as some sort of music-hall act: funny but not really relevant. Perhaps they should look at those figures again.

Ain't nobody here but us chickens...

... or is there? Lets go Dutch and see what's on offer. To be fair, it all begins with real chicken meat, although the final product – often labelled "succulent chicken breast" – will contain up to 50 per cent water. But injecting plain water does not work, so you need to add some tasty hydrolised beef or pork protein powder and then, bingo, everything swells up to double-size, all ready for packaging and dispatch to the dear old UK. No wonder we all look forward to a trip around the supermarket! However, while we may purchase and heartily enjoy this nourishing delicacy – washed down we suggest with a lightly chilled *Sauvignon Blanc* – there are others less happy

with the situation. Many brands labelled as *halal* meat are involved in this scam, which is bad news for those who do not eat pork or beef on religious grounds. How naughty can you get?

Gimme that old-time religion

Whilst speaking of faith – and here we hold steadfastly to the view that all should be allowed quietly to indulge their own beliefs provided they act within just laws and cause no harm or offence to others – we have to remark that the extant varieties of Christianity now appear to challenge numerically the product range of Mr. Heinz himself. And, of these, if we are obliged to make an appearance for some reason, be it wedding, christening or funeral, we favour the cool interior of some small village church, possibly with traces of Norman architec-



ASHIMOLOWO
Preacher of gospel that pays

ture, coupled with a mercifully short service, and the prospect of decent beer and sandwiches to follow.

At the other end of the spectrum from Thomas Gray's idyllic 'country churchyard' we

find the Kingsway International Christian Centre with its 12,000 members who put their faith in what is now known as the 'prosperity gospel'. In essence, worshippers, who are mostly Afro-Caribbean, believe that the Almighty will pay them back up to one hundred times what they hand over to the church. And, naturally enough, if that does not work then they clearly need to pray a bit harder. As our photograph shows, Matthew Ashimolowo, founder of the Centre, is a happy man. And with around £7.5 million rolling in every year, he should be!

The learning curve gets stuck

When, in June 2001, John Taylor (Damilola's father) rued his decision to bring his son to Peckham, where he was murdered, we were inclined to be sympathetic. However, it seems that Nigeria also has its educational problems. Recently, 10,000 secondary school pupils were expelled from five schools following a pitched battle over their teenage girlfriends in which dozens were injured and much damage done both to state and private property. Is this what we have to look forward to? It is, unless sensible policies regarding ethnic minorities are quickly introduced.

Lining up the rogues

We understand the Mayor of London hopes to erect a statue of Nelson Mandela costing around £400,000. Good idea, Ken! But why stop there? Could we not have some tree-lined avenue in a London park entirely dedicated to infamous international terrorists? Our short list would include Robert Mugabe, George W. Bush, Ariel Sharon, Gerry Adams, Tony Blair, Osama bin Laden, Jack Straw, Donald Rumsfeld, Martin McGuinness and Clare Short (extra strong pedestal needed). IDS was considered but, unlike Ms Short, will probably change his mind more than once and does not qualify.

Still No. 1

Not so long ago, we had an egghead bemoaning the fact that Max Bruch's First Violin Concerto was still top of the classical pops. There were, he suggested, so many pieces more worthy of the title. We suppose it never occurred to him that it was there because we liked it!

BNP in biggest ever local election push

THE British National Party will be staging its biggest ever challenge for seats in town halls in this month's local government elections, scheduled for May 1st. The party has announced that it will be standing no less than 221 candidates, mostly in England but one in Scotland. In addition, the party will be putting up one candidate each in elections to the Scottish Parliament and Welsh Assembly.

This is a tremendous achievement upon which all those in the party who have made it possible are to be congratulated. It is also an achievement which clearly has frightened the day-lights out of the BNP's opponents. This issue goes to the printers a week before polling day and we do not and cannot yet know what stops will be pulled out



GRAHAM JOHN

Standing for the first time in Victoria ward of Southend

during this last week to misrepresent the party in the eyes of the voting public. Of course, when the issue reaches its readers – or very shortly afterwards – all will be known. But

whatever the result, the immense hard work that has gone into this challenge deserves the very highest praise.

The breakdown of candidates into regions of the country is as follows: **South East England 10; East England 9; West Midlands 23; East Midlands 11; South West 17; Mid-South of England 6; North West England 44; Yorkshire 46; North East England 54; Scotland 1.** No elections will be taking place in the boroughs of London this year.

It will be seen from these figures that the North of England is undoubtedly taking the lead, and this reflects the fact that this has over the past two years become easily the BNP's most successful area both for election results and recruitment. The North Eastern effort is particularly impressive as not long ago this region was considerably weaker than Yorkshire or the North West. However, the challenge in the South West cannot be ignored because a short time ago this was one of the party's weakest areas of all.

Some of the main issues on which the BNP is fighting in the local government elections are as follows:-

- To keep local taxes down by opposing extravagance, particularly in wages paid to top council officials.
- To save declining town and city centres by imposing strict limits on out-of-town building, thereby also preserving the countryside.
- To reduce inflated bureaucracy.
- To step up the fight against council corruption and impose much stiffer penalties against those found guilty of it.
- To end inequalities in treatment given to various ethnic groups whereby immigrant groups receive special favours in funding.
- To oppose the imposition of asylum



CAROL HUGHES

Already a councillor, she is standing in the Gannow ward of Burnley.

centres on localities against the will of their residents.

- Zero tolerance of anti-social behaviour, including vandalism, graffiti, fly-tipping and the dumping of wrecked vehicles.
- To force local education authorities to abandon failed 'trendy' teaching methods and return to traditional educational disciplines.
- To stop councils financing over-spending by the selling off of essential assets, such as school playing fields.

The above constitute just a small portion of the policies upon which the BNP will be campaigning. To obtain further details for future reference, people should contact the BNP website at <bnp.org.uk>

Spearhead concludes this report by wishing all candidates and their party co-workers the very best of luck on May 1st!

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BEN BIGGS

Just after last month's issue had gone to press, we were saddened to hear of the death of veteran patriot and poet Ben Biggs, who passed away at his home in Hampshire in February.

Ben had been in the struggle since the 1950s, first in the League of Empire Loyalists, later in the National Front and finally in the BNP. He was always a loyal supporter of *Spearhead*.

Our condolences go out to his wife and family in their loss

BOB COUPE

Bob Coupe, a veteran nationalist in Yorkshire, died at his home in Bradford in April. He will be much missed.

Bob Coupe was a loyal BNP and *Spearhead* supporter for many years and specialised in short letters to our magazine with a little verse thrown in. In his later years he was appalled at the alien takeover of his native city.

Stupidity beyond belief

LAST MONTH an official British National Party spokesman, speaking to the press about the party's biggest local government election campaign so far, committed an appalling political blunder. Tony Lecomber, National Director of Group Development, was quoted in *The Times* of April 3rd as saying that an al-Qaeda terrorist attack on Britain would be good news for the BNP. His precise words as reported by correspondents Andrew Norfolk and Jill Sherman were:-

"If some fanatic somewhere sets off a bomb, then there's likely to be a very big backlash against all things Muslim, and we'd obviously be the beneficiaries of that. You could have civil unrest and communal violence."

This gaffe, at a moment of such importance for the BNP, with over two hundred candidates standing for councils up and down the country, is staggering beyond belief. To make the matter crystal-clear, there would no 'beneficiaries' among the British people were some terrorist outrage committed by a Muslim or any other fanatic anywhere in the United Kingdom. This should have been Mr. Lecomber's reply. And if the journalist had persisted with this insolent line of questioning, the correct response would have been to pose the counter-question: "How does it come about that there is a serious terrorist threat from al-Qaeda or other such groups in this country?" To which the obvious answer is: "Because successive British Governments, Labour and Tory alike, have let millions of aliens into the country, some of them terrorists, without any control whatsoever, while only the BNP has campaigned against this gross security lapse."

The quote in *The Times*, coming from Mr. Lecomber in his role as an official, not to say senior, party spokesman, will most

likely have very serious consequences for the party. Just how serious in terms of its effects in the elections on May 1st is unknown at the time of writing, but regardless of this the danger will not end there; it is a quote that can be used again and again in the future and will impact badly on the party just as long as Mr. Lecomber is a senior office-holder and spokesman within it.

Indeed, precisely because he was making one of the BNP's opening statements in the final run-up to the elections, his assertion that the party would be the 'beneficiary' of some terrorist outrage – with the implication that it was anticipating some electoral gain thereby – could be made to appear the official position of any or every one of the 221 candidates standing in these elections.



TONY LECOMBER
Presented a gift to the BNP's enemies

And here is perhaps the main point of all: to date, Mr. Lecomber's statement has *not* been disowned by the party leadership! In replies to complaints about the statement voiced by members, Nick Griffin has suggested that he (Lecomber) had no choice but to answer the journalist's question as he did, and that in any event the

RICHARD EDMONDS *spotlights a catastrophic* **BNP own-goal on the** *eve of vital elections*

party would not as a result suffer undue harm in its areas of solid support!

On TV nationwide

In fact, it does not take much imagination to see what political use the party's opponents will make of this blunder – to the BNP's detriment. On the very evening of the day the statement was printed in the national press, it was raised during the BBC programme *Question Time*, shown in Burnley, Lancs., where the party has many candidates standing and where last year three BNP councillors were elected. It was read out on the programme to devastating effect against the party, not only in front of Burnley people but before the eyes and ears of millions of TV viewers nationwide.

Already at least one left-wing trade union is planning to spend a quarter of a million pounds taking out adverts against the party in national, regional and local news media where we have candidates standing. This Lecomber statement provides such people with perfect ammunition, which they will most certainly use.

The very minimum of damage-limitation in respect of this public relations disaster is that all such talk of 'benefits' to the party from terrorist acts should be utterly repudiated, disowned and condemned.

In the meantime, members and supporters of the BNP should communicate their concerns to the party leadership. Firm action must be taken, and in my opinion this should not stop at repudiation but should extend to instant dismissal of the official responsible.

A LIABILITY WHO HAS BEEN KEPT ON FAR TOO LONG

Mr. Tony Lecomber will hardly be in a position to complain at the fact that he is being strongly criticised in this magazine, for he himself has made a speciality out of personal attacks on fellow-nationalists for several years.

In his own *Patriot* magazine, now mercifully defunct, he used two articles in 1999 and 2000 to make scurrilous allegations against our editor, whom he later put pressure on BNP branch organisers not to invite to speak at their meetings. Last Summer, when we as good as accused him of tipping off the Anti-Nazi

League about a meeting in Burnley at which Mr. Tyndall was speaking, he made no attempt to deny the charge.

Tony Lecomber has caused no end of divisions in the BNP in London, his main area of activity, by his efforts to set one party activist against another – to the extent that when he was strongly condemned at an East London rally in March the condemnation brought overwhelming endorsement from the audience.

Meanwhile, his attempt to interfere in the affairs of the party's highly successful North Western region by overruling a per-

sonnel decision by organiser Chris Jackson resulted in the resignation of Mr. Jackson – with great loss to the region.

Many of our readers and supporters have expressed to us the view that Tony Lecomber has become a complete liability to the BNP and have asked: just how does he retain his senior position in the party and his job as one of its paid employees? We have indeed asked ourselves the same question. Now Tony has truly 'blown it' with his latest statement to *The Times*, but will he be dealt with appropriately? Sadly, it does not look like it.

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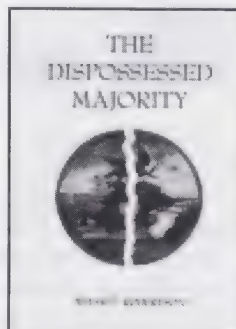
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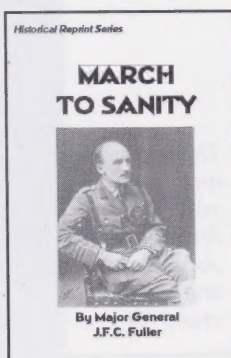
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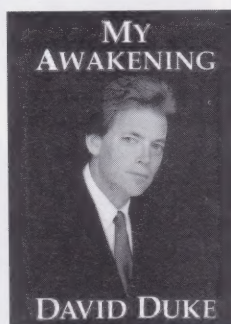
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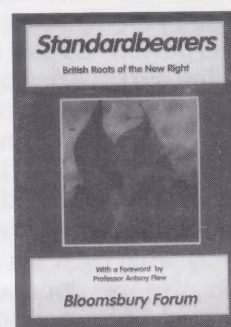
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RICHARD EDMONDS IN GERMANY



FOR decades now, German patriots have been attempting to make good the damage done to their country by two world wars. The Second World War ended with Germany in ruins, and the country totally occupied by the victorious powers. As part of the damage suffered in this defeat it was decided by fiat of the conquerors that the ancient German province of East Prussia should be eliminated and its population, who had dwelled there for hundreds of years, expelled.

By what right, except by *force majeure*, this was done was never explained. The victorious Allied leaders Stalin, Roosevelt and Churchill never attempted to justify this action in terms of international law – though they were only too happy to invoke that law

over other matters when it suited them to do so.

The Russian dissident writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn, who served as an artillery officer in the Red Army during the war and who was stationed in East Prussia in 1945, has described how this expulsion of the German population was effected in the years immediately following: mass rape and mass murder were practised against the defenceless Germans as a means of driving them out.

Following the collapse of the Soviet Union in the 1990s, German patriots have been organising a renewed German presence in what used to be East Prussia prior to 1945. The resettlement of ethnic Germans in this land and the return of German culture and

institutions are being energetically organised.

Well-known BNP stalwart Richard Edmonds attended the recent annual meeting of one of the organisations active in this work. The meeting was held in a beautiful baroque palace near Nuremberg. Delegates heard reports on the progress being achieved. Mr. Edmonds, who has spent considerable time in the last three years actively supporting these endeavours, was called on to make a report before an assembly of some three hundred. In a spirit of reconciliation between the nations of Europe, in particular Germany and Britain, he had been, for a large part of 2002, the deputy head teacher of the German school in the community in former East Prussia which the organisation supports.

In the picture above left Mr. Edmonds is seen with the chairman of the organisation, Henning Pless.

The Eleventh Hour

The Eleventh Hour has been described as the 'Bible' of the British National Party. First published in 1988, the latest (1998) edition has been updated to take in the many new developments on the political scene occurring since. Written by the founder of the British National Party, John Tyndall, the book gives comprehensive coverage of all the major current issues affecting Britain. It delves into the ideologies of liberalism, conservatism and the left, and also examines that of British Nationalism and its background. It contains extensive analyses of the British economy and political system. It looks at issues connected with freedom and order, the mass media, the environment, race and immigration, Northern Ireland, the Commonwealth, foreign policy and defence. It also gives a detailed outline of the development of the BNP and its predecessor organisations in Britain.

The *Eleventh Hour* runs to 537 pages. It is partly autobiographical, giving an account of the author's origins, early political awakening and subsequent life's work.

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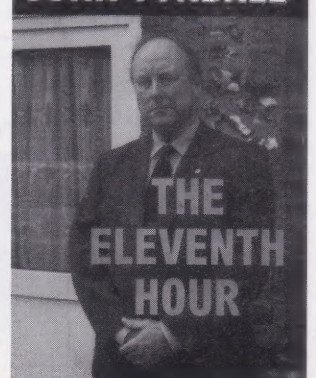
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JOHN TYNDALL



The book you must read if you want to find out what John Tyndall and the BNP stand for

Tyndall speaks in Manchester

THE North Manchester branch of the British National Party, lately the scene of some very lively meetings, played host to *Spearhead* editor John Tyndall on the 14th April.

An audience of just under 100 first heard organiser Gary King report on a despicable case of intimidation that had recently been carried out against his wife and family by a group of sub-humans

After the interval John Tyndall was announced to a very warm reception. He began by saying that were some of our illustrious British ancestors to return to this country today they could surely not believe what they saw. Almost the entire nation had become dysfunctional. Nothing worked. All was chaos. We had a rotten health service. Our transport system was a disgrace. Our education system was turning out legions of

Mr. Tyndall went on to speak about coming local government elections, and stressed how important it was for Manchester to have some BNP councillors – eventually a controlling majority. He listed some of the idiotic council schemes which local taxpayers were expected to finance, for instance ‘outreach’ workers employed at £500 a week to deal with ‘lesbian issues’. BNP councillors, he said, would fight to ensure that 100 per cent of taxpayers’ money was spent on essential local services for normal British people.

He ended by urging that BNP activists always remember their debt to Britain’s great heroes of the past, in peace and war, who so often had been betrayed by the politicians who followed them. To them, he said, we must be true, and for them we must win!

The speech ended with a standing ovation. The meeting was ably chaired by Tony Wentworth and an excellent collection raised £400.00.



Tyndall speaks. Seated on right is meeting chairman Tony Wentworth

believed to belong to ‘Anti-Fascist Action’, a particularly unpleasant far-left bunch very active in the North West of England. The group had visited his home when he was not in and made vile threats against the family. Details were given to the police, even including the registration number of a car used by the mobsters, but no action had been taken.

Mick Treacy, the organiser of the nearby Oldham branch, then told the audience that he personally was making himself responsible for pursuing this matter through legal channels, including a demand to know why the police were doing nothing.

A new but very enthusiastic local recruit, Mrs. Bev Jones, then took the floor to make a very forceful appeal for activists to come and help in the local election campaign. Mrs. Jones asked volunteers to come to the table and give their names in the way of a firm commitment to turn out, and these names were noted down. Woe betide anyone who failed to keep their promises!

There was then an interval during which a very pleasant buffet was served up, and everyone was most grateful to the ladies who organised this.

ignoramuses lacking in even the most basic knowledge. Manufacturing industry looked as if in terminal decline. Society was breaking up, with the highest rates in Europe for teenage pregnancy, divorce and abortion. Crime was going through the roof – violent crime up 24 per cent just in the past year. Last but not least, immigration had become completely out of control.

This constituted a grave national crisis that called out for national leadership utterly focused on the problems at hand. Yet our Prime Minister, in the face of this challenge, chose to preoccupy himself with a foreign war in which no conceivable British interest was at stake.

SPEARHEAD BOOKS

Readers will see elsewhere in this issue that we have embarked on a new bookselling enterprise, which will be known as ‘Spearhead Books’. The first advertisements for these books appear on pages 24 and 25. This enterprise has been made possible with the help of some of our friends and supporters.

Up to the end of last year we were pleased to give up the two pages to advertising the books distributed by Freedom Promotions, the bookselling section of the British National Party. We charged no fee for these adverts but were just glad to render a service to the BNP, which of course benefited from the profits from these book sales.

However, BNP chairman Nick Griffin then decided he did not wish *Spearhead* any longer to advertise the party’s books, and accordingly we discontinued the advertisements. The profits derived from sales of *Spearhead* Books will go to assisting the survival of *Spearhead* in face of recent attempts to undermine its circulation by a BNP ban on sales ordered by Mr. Griffin.

Should any readers regard this as a regrettable turn of events, we suggest they address their regrets to Mr. Griffin.

SPEARHEAD SUPPORT FUND

Income from the sales of our magazine is not enough to cover full production and administrative costs. We therefore rely on regular donations from our supporters so that we may remain solvent.

Also, because of the controversial nature of the opinions expressed in these columns, it is impossible to induce wholesale distributors to handle the magazine. Hence another need for additional financial support.

Please send all contributions to *Spearhead*, PO Box 2471, Hove, East Sussex BN3 4DT. Please note that receipts are not normally sent for donations of less than £10 unless specifically requested – in which case an SAE would be appreciated. Thanks.

GRIFFIN IN NORTH WEST

NICK GRIFFIN, British National Party chairman, spoke at two well-attended meetings in North West England during the last few days of March, the first being on the 23rd March at the monthly gathering of **Oldham** branch.

This meeting was chaired by Stuart Fullard, who at the beginning of the meeting requested a minute's silence out of respect to British casualties in the war in Iraq. This was followed by an announcement that in the forthcoming local government elections Oldham BNP would be contesting ten wards, including Chadderton North, where Mr. Griffin

that the BNP has to be seen as a party with many policies and not just as a one-issue party, as some people believe it to be.

About 80 were in attendance.

Reports by **MICHAEL LESTER**

On the 26th March, Mr. Griffin addressed a meeting of the BNP's **North Manchester** branch. The branch organiser Gary King opened the meeting asking for a moment's silence, again, for

this, he asked the BNP candidate for the Newton Heath ward to step forward and tell the audience what prompted him to stand.

Next to speak was a person to whom Nick Griffin has referred as "our secret weapon." This was Bev Jones. Mrs. Jones helped co-ordinate the BNP's successful campaign in Halifax and has agreed to do the same in Manchester. Bev said she would not be asking people to help in the coming campaigns; she would be *telling* them. They have been drafted, she said, and they will have no choice!

During the break Nick Griffin arrived. Gary King took the microphone and announced his arrival to loud applause.

After the break Mr. Griffin took the stand and said he had planned to give a talk on party policy but he had just received a confidential government/council paper that detailed down to the penny exactly how much each asylum-seeker gets when it comes to housing. He went on to read and quote from the lengthy document some amazing facts, such as that asylum-seekers must be provided with free-to-use telephones so that they can keep in touch with their families. They must also have their TV licences paid for by their landlords. The 150 people in attendance were enraged when these benefits were revealed.

During his talk, Mr. Griffin was interrupted by a lady who wanted to know the BNP view of the war on Iraq and whether the party supported our troops there. Mr. Griffin said that the party did not support the objectives of the war because they were not in British interests but for the benefit of the large American oil companies and of the state of Israel. But, he went on, it wholeheartedly supported British troops in the field.



Manchester: Nick Griffin speaks

would be standing. Three new candidates were then announced, and they all stood up and gave their reasons for standing.

After the break, Nick Griffin gave a speech outlining party policy. He said

those who have been killed in Iraq. He went on to outline local issues relevant to the people of Manchester, and announced that for the first time in over 20 years those people will have a nationalist candidate to vote for. With

THE 'INSENSITIVE' BANNERS

Certain members of Burnley Council are reported to be highly upset by British National Party banners that occupy a prominent place in the town adjacent to a busy highway (picture on right), where they can be seen by large numbers of motorists and their passengers.

A report in the Lancashire Evening Telegraph of the 2nd April carried a headline: 'Insensitive BNP banners slammed'. The report went on to say that the leader of the Council, Stuart Caddy, had said: "It's an embarrassment... To put something up in a place like this is just not acceptable. It just upsets people. Visitors will see them and ask: 'Why do they allow this to go ahead?' It's very inappropriate."

And what is so offensive about the banners? Do they say something like 'Kill all Pakis!' or 'Crush Islam'? Nothing of the kind! The banners, fixed to the sides of a chimney on private property, where they are perfectly legitimate, just contain the words 'Vote British National Party'. No worse than that!

But according to some councillors these words are 'insensitive'. These councillors are being rather over-sensitive, don't you think?

